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DELIVERY OF S-400 MISSILE SYSTEMS PROCEEDING WELL, SAYS RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR

Russia's delivery of S-400 Triumf air defence missile systems to India is "proceeding well" in accordance with the schedule, Russian Ambassador Denis Alipov has said. His comments came amid concerns in New Delhi over possible delays in the supply of major military hardware to India by Russia in view of its military invasion of Ukraine.

Shri Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray
Honourable Chief Minister of Maharashtra

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123 MoUs
INR 2,69,887 cr
June 2020 - May 2022

Foreign Direct Investment
INR 2,88,905 cr
October 2019 - March 2022

Regular Investment
INR 62,963.94 cr
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Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai hands over a certificate to a woman during his inspection of development works in the city | EXPRESS

Anti-profiteering agency issues notice to builder

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

THE New Delhi-based Directorate General of Anti-Profiteering has issued a notice to Mantri Castle Pvt Ltd for initiating investigations under the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules.

The notice dated June 6 said investigations would be initiated under Rule 129 of the CGST Rules 2017. It said this is an outcome of a directive it has received from the Standing Committee on Anti-Profiteering on May 30 to conduct a detailed investigation. This was due to an application filed by Santosh Patil, who had booked a flat at 'Mantri Serenity' project on Kanakapura Road.

Mantri Castle Pvt Ltd has been asked to reply to the notice on or before June 27 as to whether it admits that the input tax credit had not been passed to the home buyers through commensurate reduction in price.

Patil told TNIE, "The builder has not passed on the benefit of Input Tax Credit to us buyers as mandated under GST rules. I have approached the concerned authorities for relief."

The notice has also asked Mantri Castle Pvt Ltd to submit numerous documents, including those pertaining to transfer of input credit to the buyers (if available), the status of the Mantri Serenity project, list of properties sold tower wise and copies of occupancy certificates as well as deputing a person specifically to coordinate with the agency.

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> Santosh Patil

MS Shankar, General Secretary of the Forum for People's Collective Efforts, a nationwide organisation that struggles for the rights of home buyers, welcomed the action, saying, "We need more such moves and consistent pressure from all possible sides to make errant builders and developers realise the mindset of impacted home buyers."

He added, "Irrespective of this investigation outcome, it creates the much-needed awareness to other home buyers to follow this route to mount pressure on errant builders."

NOTICE FOR INITIATION OF INVESTIGATION UNDER RULE 129 OF THE CENTRAL GOODS AND SERVICES TAX RULES, 2017

Sub: Notice for seeking information/documents relating to application for contravention of the provisions of Section 171 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017.

1 LAKH HOUSES FOR SLUM DWELLERS: CM

Bommai: Population growth in city has led to homelessness; Illegal houses will be seized

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Sunday said that special emphasis is being given to build one lakh houses in Bengaluru, as part of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban Mission.

Speaking during his inspection of development work in the city, he said that 52,000 of the houses have already been built, and the rest will come up soon. In all, 1,588 people living in slums were provided housing in the completed houses in Rajarajeshwari Nagar.

Bommai also said that 5,000 acres of land are being earmarked to build houses for the poor and needy in the state. Efforts are being made to build as many as 5 lakh houses, as well as increase amounts paid to those from Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe backgrounds from Rs1.75 lakh to Rs 2 lakh.

He said efforts were being made to eradicate issues of poverty and homelessness in the state, with lack of housing gradually becoming a bigger problem due to population growth.

The chief minister also said a plan was being drawn up for the overall development of Bengaluru, including road development and to accommodate the large number of people living in the city. He said seizure of houses built illegally would commence with a special task force being formed, with poor people found residing in such houses would be provided an alternative.

In addition, he said that Rs 3,000 crore has been set aside for road development and another Rs1,600 crore for the development of rajakaluves.

He also said that the government must give more emphasis to development work rather than politics, and that many promised projects, including the Peripheral Ring Road and various Metro line works, will be completed soon.

EXPRESS READ

7 flights operating from KIA to Medina for Haj

Bengaluru: After a two-year hiatus, Haj pilgrims have begun departing from Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) to Medina since June 9. Nearly 3,150 passengers are expected to head from Bengaluru up to June 16, said airport operator, BIAL. A BIAL spokesperson told TNIE, "Saudi Arabia has restricted the permitted quota by 50% keeping in mind the pandemic. Compared to 6,000 pilgrims who headed from KIA to Medina in 2019, only 3,150 are expected to depart during Haj 2022. So, the number of flights operated from the airport are lesser compared to previous years with only 7 departure and an equal number of arrival flights to run between Bengaluru and Medina." One flight may come from Jeddah, too she added.

BLEED BLUE

Cricket fans elated after purchasing their tickets for the fifth T20 international match between India and South Africa to be played at the Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on June 19 | SHRIRAM BN

SBI directed to give loan interest subsidy to doctor

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

THE Consumer Commission directed State Bank of India (SBI) to claim interest subsidy amount from the Government of India on Rs 15 lakh education loan sanctioned under Gnanamithra Scheme to a city doctor, and pay the same to him as soon as it is received, along with 6 per cent interest per annum, from the day on which the loan was cleared.

It also directed SBI to pay Rs 25,000 and Rs 10,000 towards damages and litigation expenses, respectively, to the doctor who approached the Commission for denying interest subsidy on the loan. Holding that denying interest subsidy amounts to deficiency in service, the Commission comprising president HR Srinivas, members YS Thammanna and SM Sharavathi, passed the order on the complaint filed by Dr NG Chetan Kumar, HMT Layout, in the city. Kumar borrowed Rs 15 lakh loan in 2014 from SBI to pursue Masters in Chest Medicine at Texila American University under SBM Gananamithra Scheme, in order to avail interest subsidy.

To borrow the loan, his father mortgaged their house worth Rs 94.88 lakh as collateral security. He also repaid the entire loan on September 18, 2020, and requested the bank to provide interest subsidy.

BWSSB files 2,806 cases over illegal water usage

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

WITH its bid to crack down on water wastage or exploitation by public, the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) registered a total of 2,806 FIRs against illegal usage of Cauvery water, with the Bangalore Metropolitan Task Force. These refer to cases registered over nearly 2.5 years, starting January 2020.

BWSSB Public Relations Officer S Sudhir told TNIE that 70 per cent of them have regularised their illegal connections by paying a penalty amount.

BWSSB also unearthed 56,000 unauthorised water connections across the city.

"In addition, there were 5,156 bypass connections. This refers to taking a legal water connection and subsequently taking a water connection from it which is not connected to any meter. Hence, water used in this manner goes unbilled," he said.

This crackdown on illegal activities have played a significant role in bringing down the huge percentage of Unaccounted For Water from 37 per cent to 31 per cent.

"This has helped the Board generate an additional 197 Million Litres Per Day (MLD) for the city," he explained. BWSSB pumps 1450 million litres of water to the City from TK Halli daily, but one-third of it goes waste due to illegality by public, leakage and other reasons.

Revenue has improved due to the clampdown on illegal connections.

"While we used to collect Rs 100 lakh (Rs 1 crore) as monthly revenue towards water and sanitation charges, it is now Rs 110 lakh (Rs 1.1 crore)," Sudhir explained.

However, the PRO was unable to provide any data on areas where such illegality is rampant, or details on leading violators, despite repeatedly requesting for the same.

At present, BWSSB supplies water to 10.5 lakh house service connections through its 89 ground level reservoirs.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

13th June : I'd like to remind you that every difficult astrological prediction comes with a series of options for changing the future for the better. Some people like to perform the various religious rituals and purifications which are appropriate to particular planets. Others like to alter their behaviour, avoiding unnecessary risks. Both have their place, in my opinion.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Although financial pressures and plans are still very much on your mind, you can afford to put a few possible developments off until later. You're so full of good ideas that all you need now is a little extra confidence. And a little more tact!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
It's time for a fresh start. Emotional and psychological spring-cleaning should encourage you to put the past behind you and face the future with an open heart. You seem to be keeping a secret, and may have to hang on for just a little while longer.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
You might have to come into the open, so have your story ready and make sure you're capable of making yourself understood. Throughout the day you should find that your self-esteem is restored, and that it's no longer necessary to take refuge in your daydreams.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
It's quite a good moment to keep yourself to yourself, to have time and space to listen to your imagination and conscience. You may even consider cancelling a social engagement. But before you take any precipitate action, realise that when the time comes, your feelings might have moved on.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
You may feel as if you are being forced to do something against your will or against your dignity. However, the best advice now is to press ahead and concentrate on making colleagues see your point of view. Gentle persuasion might work better than brute force. In fact, I'm sure it will!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You will soon be afforded a splendid chance to travel to somewhere you've never been before. In any event, you'll do yourself a very big favour if you extend and develop all contacts with companions in distant parts and people from different cultures.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Problems of a partnership or matrimonial nature ought now to be faced. You should find that once you talk about your concerns, they begin to disappear and your innate sense of well-being returns. An old expense is bugging you, but it's also time to collect a debt.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Much as you'd like to be the centre of attention, you still have no choice but to listen to other people, understand their feelings and try to satisfy their desires. Financial choices are now appearing, but there is no need for a final decision just yet.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
When dealing with finances and business or property matters, you should make a point of being as clear-headed as you can. Your heart tells you one thing, your wallet another, so seek expert advice. This is not a good time to give people the wrong idea about your intentions, so make sure you're not misunderstood.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
This looks like a busy day, and it's time to call on your more versatile talents. In view of emotional complications, it seems likely that you'll have to juggle different balls in the air at the same time. It may not be easy, especially if a friend or colleague backs out of a commitment.

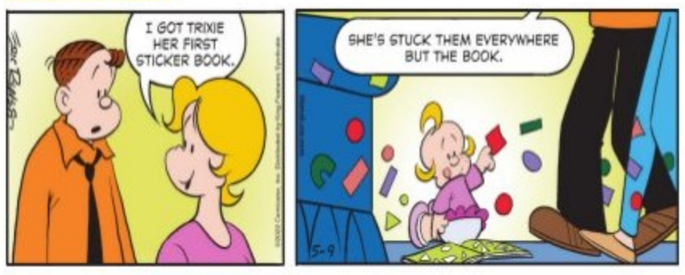
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Favourable planetary alignments are perfectly balanced by challenging ones, which means that you could have the best of both worlds. This should also be an ideal moment to put your plans into practice. Thought and action should go hand in hand, with your heart and your head leading you in the same direction.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
If you are feeling at all isolated or confused it is because your planetary cycles are now changing and you are being obliged to stand on your own two feet, emotionally speaking. In future you will have to rely more on your own resources and less on support from outside.

THE PHANTOM

AS THE LAST PHANTOM MENDS FROM HIS MISADVENTURE IN RHODIA, HE WILL LEARN THAT A POWERFUL FOREIGN ENEMY HAS RAISED VENGEANCE ON THE MOUNTAIN CITY...
DE PAUL + WAGNER
FALK

HI AND LOIS



BEETLE BAILEY

HOW WAS YOUR WEEKEND WITH BEETLE?
HE SLEPT THROUGH A MOVIE, A PLAY AND A CONCERT
THAT SOUNDS BORING
HE PAID FOR IT ALL, SO I'M GOOD
GREG MORT WALKER

BLONDIE

BEG YOUR PARDON, SIR, WOULD YOU HAPPEN TO HAVE ANY LOOSE SINGLES FOR A STRANGER IN NEED?
YOU'RE A PRETTY SHARP-DRESSED MAN TO BE ASKING FOR A HANDOUT
I APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING NOTE OF MY ATTIRE
PRESENTATION IS EVERYTHING!

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

SUDOKU

Easy: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

	5		2	1			6	9
	6		5			4		3
4				6		5		
2	7				9	3		
			7	5	1			
		6	3				9	1
		4		3				5
6		8			5		4	
7	9			2	6		3	

Solutions to Saturday's puzzle

8	7	4	9	3	2	6	1	5
6	1	3	7	5	8	9	4	2
2	9	5	1	6	4	7	8	3
7	4	6	3	2	5	8	9	1
9	2	8	4	1	7	5	3	6
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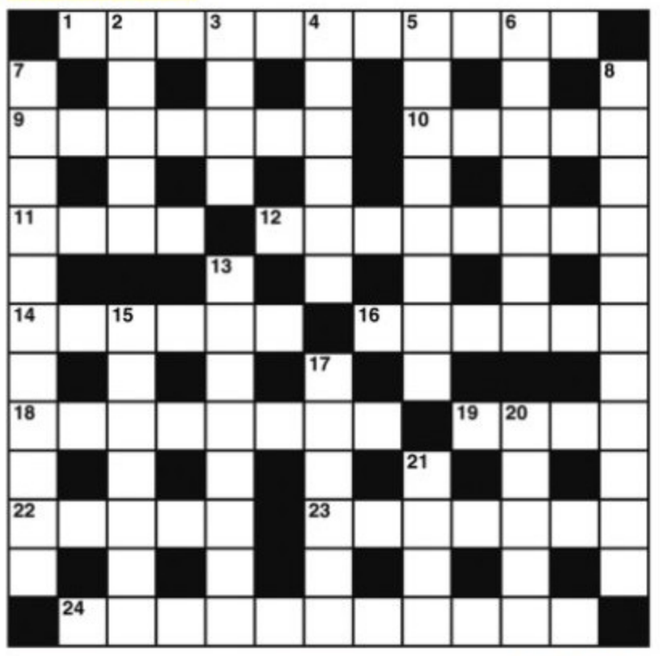
CROSS WORD



ACROSS
1 Remedial needlework (11)
9 Ham to carve into pieces (7)
10 Does nothing and some did less! (5)
11 Come across right? (4)
12 Casting is one of his jobs in the studio (8)
14 Pouring in in a state of change (6)
16 The load burned out (6)
18 Maximum charge for conveyance (4,4)
19 Chinese capital lies in total waste (4)
22 Craft about to capsize (1-4)
23 A striking example of an evil personality (7)
24 This order won't require attention (5,2,4)

DOWN
2 Material for Suzette? (5)
3 Scheme for lopping a tree? (4)
4 Announcement to put up in a French resort (6)
5 A course that is purely experimental? (5,3)
6 Told the next of kin (7)
7 From the French as it should be (5,2,4)
8 Scientists rent rooms as required (11)
13 Conditional statement? (8)
15 Not to agree to a full distribution (4,3)
17 Hilda unsettled by a bloomer (6)
20 Slaps on the wrist (5)
21 Bill? He is hurt (4)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Escort, 4 Crackers, 9 Caring, 10 Patience, 12 Onyx, 13 Keats, 14 Asti, 17 Cause offence, 20 Practice game, 23 Corn, 24 Amend, 25 Neat, 28 Enchants, 29 Bireme, 30 Midnight, 31 Thesis.

Down: 1 Encroach, 2 Carry out, 3 Rank, 5 Read the signs, 6 Chip, 7 Ernest, 8 Specie, 11 Perfect match, 15 Heart, 16 Acres, 18 Careless, 19 Pertness, 21 Scream, 22 Braced, 26 Taxi, 27 High.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

CRATT

KYOLE

GEDREN

YGOEVA

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Ready? I'm going to throw it far this time.
Time me!
Relax! You're making me look bad.
4/15
THE RETRIEVER THAT WAS BETTER THAN THE OTHER DOGS AT PLAYING FETCH WAS A ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ANSWERS TOMORROW

SATURDAY'S **Jumbles:**
PRONG MOMMY EXCEED HYMNAL
ANSWER: When the U.S. Mint asked its employees to work overtime, they – MADE MORE MONEY

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IPL MEDIA RIGHTS: BIDDING HITS THE ₹43,000 CRORE MARK

Intense competition on; e-auction set to continue on Monday. Overall tally for Package A and B now stands at ₹43,050 crore

HUGE SURGE IN INTEREST FOR DIGITAL RIGHTS

Per match, the BCCI had set a base price of ₹43 crore for television and ₹33 crore for digital (Indian sub-continent only). So far, the television bid has touched ₹23,370 crore (₹57 crore per match). In the Package B for digital, the highest placed bid now is ₹19,680 crore (₹48 crore per match). In 2017, the overall IPL media rights were sold for ₹16,347 crore

PACKAGE C AND D YET TO BE DECIDED

- With Package C (non-exclusive 18-22 matches) and Package D (overseas TV & digital) still remaining, the BCCI officials expect the overall figure to touch at least ₹50,000 crore | **P11**
- The media rights are for a five-year period from 2023-2027 with the number of matches ranging from 74 to 94 per season

₹54.5 Cr

WAS PER GAME COMBINED VALUATION IN THE PREVIOUS CYCLE

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

Sonia prods Pawar to be Oppn prez candidate; Didi on the same page

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE build-up to the Presidential elections got further interesting on Sunday with indications that Congress president Sonia Gandhi wants to tap NCP chief Sharad Pawar as the united Opposition's nominee for the highest post of the land.

Coming as it did a day after Trimanool chief Mamata Banerjee called a meeting in Delhi to discuss the Presidential polls, the psy-ops for taking the leadership mantle within the Opposition was too glaring to be missed. When Mamata got wind of Sonia's gambit, she called up Pawar and extended her support. She also promised to rally other regional parties behind his candidature, sources said requesting anonymity.

Consensus pitch by BJP

Both Nadda and Rajnath will speak to as many Oppn parties as possibe, including the Trinamool and the Congress, to evolve a consensus on the candidate, keeping the sanctity of the post in mind

Pawar, however, is yet to take his call. Sonia's suggestion was conveyed to him by by senior Congress leader Mallikarjun Kharge, who recently called on him here.

Kharge also discussed it with Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray. "Uddhav was positive and offered to call up other party leaders to drum up support for Pawar," sources said. The AAP, too, tried to do an encore with party leader Sanjay Singh calling on Pawar on Sunday.

As for the BJP, it has not opened its cards yet, though it has assigned the task of holding wide consultations on the polls to its president J P Nadda and Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh. Pawar shares a good relationship with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

SEARCH ON FOR MISSING SOLDIERS

The Army has launched a massive search operation in Anjaw district of Arunachal Pradesh to locate two soldiers who went missing on May 28 | **P7**

Haryana Ind's RS vote validity to face judicial challenge

SHAHID FARIDI @ New Delhi

THE last chapter in the Haryana Rajya Sabha election saga is yet to be written. A photocopy of a ballot paper purportedly of an Independent MLA is doing the rounds in Congress circles. This MLA marked his vote in favour of Independent candidate Kartikeya Sharma who was later declared elected.

What was interesting in this ballot paper was that the voting mark was not found in the prescribed box but next to Sharma's name. Sources said the Congress will challenge the validity of this vote. Its legal team is huddled together to prepare a petition, which will be filed in court on Monday.

The petition reportedly will demand the rejection of the Independent's vote. It could alternatively seek a ruling declaring party MLA Kiran Choudhary's rejected vote as valid.

Sharma had edged past Maken on the basis of the second preference votes. His margin of victory is so thin that if the court rejects the Independent MLA's vote, Maken will win. Sources said Kiran's vote was rejected because she had put a tick mark in front of Maken's name instead of writing the number 1 in the box alongside.

When the ballot of the Independent came up for scrutiny, Returning Officer Rajendra Singh Nandal is learnt to have pointed out that the vote was not written in the prescribed box. There are three horizontal boxes on the ballot. First has the name of the candidate, second the photo, and the last box is for marking the vote. The Independent MLA put the mark '1' in the name box.

Nandal reportedly insisted on rejecting the vote, but Chief Electoral Officer Rajesh Agarwal and Special Observer Anurag Agarwal, both IAS officers, overruled him. Nandal is a state services officer.

The IAS duo reportedly said that the intention of the Independent was clear, to which Nandal said Kiran's intention, too, was equally clear. The question, Nandal reportedly said, was whether the preference was marked in a prescribed manner or not.

A bulldozer being used to demolish the residence of Javed Ahmed in Prayagraj | PTI

Bulldozer justice in UP for second consecutive day

Building of an alleged protest leader razed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

BULLDOZERS continued to roll in Uttar Pradesh for the second day on Sunday, targeting those who allegedly orchestrated protests and riots on Friday last against BJP's hate speech, with the Prayagraj Development Authority (PDA) razing a suspect's house.

Parallelly, the police started sealing of properties of other accused elsewhere in UP. Properties of at least three persons were sealed in Kanpur for allegedly supporting rioters.

In Prayagraj, the police identified Javed Ahmad a.k.a Javed Pump as the mastermind of the agitation that had turned violent. The demolition of his house in Kareli area began around 1 pm under police cover.

"The house was built without getting its building plan sanctioned by the PDA. He was issued a notice on May 10 and was told to present his point of view on May 24. Neither Javed nor his lawyer turned up on the appointed date. No document was presented in this regard, so demolition was ordered on May 25," a PDA official said.

A senior police official said they had recovered some 'objectionable' materials, including Popular Front of India literature and flags, from Javed's house during the demolition drive. Some reports suggested the police also recovered illegal weapons from his house. Javed's daughter is social activist Afreen Fatima.

On Saturday, the properties of two other people accused of rioting were demolished in Saharanpur.

Meanwhile, in Assam, prohibitory orders under Section 144 of the CrPC, was imposed in Cachar and Karimgamj districts. Rallies and processions cannot be held without specific permission.

A local train was attacked by protesters in Bethuadahari railway station in West Bengal's Nadia district in the evening. In Ranchi, where two persons succumbed to their injuries on Saturday, a tense atmosphere prevailed. However, Internet services were restored. In Delhi, two persons were arrested for holding a protest in the Jama Masjid area.

Over 400 arrested

More than 400 people have so far been arrested over the ongoing protests against the hate speech. Of them, 304 were held in eight districts of Uttar Pradesh and 100 in West Bengal

SOCIAL COHESION A BIG CONCERN IN OUR COUNTRY: EX-DIPLOMAT

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

SOCIAL cohesion and co-existence are the only ways India -- a multi-cultural, multi-faith and multi-linguistic society -- can grow as a nation. In response to the international backlash and protests in the country against remarks on Prophet Mohammed by former BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma and Delhi media head Naveen Jindal, former deputy national security adviser Pankaj Saran told *The New Indian Express* that more than the reactions of Islamic countries against the remarks, which were 'episodic', the larger and long-term issue is of "social cohesion in India and is of concern".

Pankaj Saran

"There are more than 20 crore Muslims in the country. They are Indian citizens, regardless of what they say. Their future lies in the country. No outside country can solve their problems. It is the duty of the Central government and states to reach out to Muslims and their enlightened leadership and ensure they are equal beneficiaries of education, skill training, employment and other government policies. It is also the responsibility of the community leadership to ensure that Muslims have greater public participation, and not play the victim card," said the former diplomat.

He added that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has stated on multiple occasions and platforms that he represents over 1.35 billion Indian people.

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Minister: Contractors will be fined 1-7% for delaying irrigation projects

Govind Karjol

'Nat'l Project tag for Upper Bhadra in two months'

The Centre will declare the Upper Bhadra Project a National Project in the next two months. Already, four departments have given the approval, said Minister Govind Karjol

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Kalaburagi

TO speed up irrigation projects in the state, to avoid cost escalation and to bring discipline among contractors to complete the works on time, the government has decided to levy penalties on contractors who delay the projects, said Water Resources Minister Govind Karjol here on Sunday.

He said instructions have already been given to officials concerned to levy fines of 1-7 per cent of the remaining cost of the project on such contractors. The penalty clause will apply to all ongoing projects in the state, and officials have been told to build files on these contractors, he added.

If the contractors give genuine reasons for the delay, the penalties will be exempted, he said. "Delays have been pushing up the cost of projects, impacting the exchequer. That was the reason it was decided to impose fines on contractors."

The irrigation department has already started imposing fines on such contractors and the Krishna Neeravari Nigam Ltd managing director has been told to penalise and blacklist five contractors in the Kalaburagi range, he said.

The government has started the process of increasing the height of Almatti Dam to 534.468 metre as per the orders of the Krishna River Tribunal. Twenty villages will be submerged and the department is identifying these areas, where land will be purchased soon, he said.

EXPRESS READ

MLC elections today, counting on June 15

Bengaluru: Elections to the four Legislative Council seats will be held in Karnataka on Monday. The counting of votes will be on June 15. Over 2.8 lakh graduates and teachers will cast their votes in 607 polling stations. In all, 49 candidates are in fray | **P4**

Sonia hospitalised over post-Covid issues

New Delhi: Congress president Sonia Gandhi was hospitalised on Sunday for treatment of post-Covid issues. She is to appear before the ED on June 23 in connection with a money-laundering case| **P7**

Gene mutations harmful to heart to be screened

Bengaluru: A new electrical test will allow families suffering from inherited heart disorders to discover if they are carrying genetic mutations that cause sudden cardiac arrests, Sydney researchers say. The test can screen hundreds of gene mutations | **P5**

JAB-O-METER
TAKE YOUR SHOT
June 11 **11,30,430 doses**
June 12 **11,62,340 doses**
TOTAL: 1,95,07,89,870

NATIONWIDE	JUNE 11	JUNE 12
Fresh cases	8,329	8,582
Recoveries	4,216	4,435
Deaths	10	4

KARNATAKA	JUNE 11	JUNE 12
Fresh cases	562	463
Recoveries	352	199
Deaths	0	0

IN PURSUIT OF FATHER'S DREAM

Andhra sprinter's Dangal-like story

SREENU BABU PATIVADA @ Srikakulam

THE story of 19-year-old **Mugada Sireesha**, who won a bronze medal in the 400-metre sprint event at the Khelo India Youth Games 2022, sounds remarkably similar to that of Amir Khan's film *Dangal*, which shows the struggles faced by the Phogat sisters before winning medals for India.

Mugada Krishnam Naidu, a marginal farmer from Kovilamm, a remote village in Andhra Pradesh's Srikakulam district encouraged his daughter Sireesha to take part in sporting events after observing her talent and interest in athletics. With his encouragement, she participated in the district- and State-level tournaments and won several medals before being selected to be trained at the Sports Authority of India training camp in Hyderabad.

Life took a sudden turn for Sireesha when her father died in a road accident in 2019. She, however, kept her confidence. Seeing her grit and determination, her mother Gowreeswaramma, a daily wager, took up the responsibility of realising her husband's dream of Sireesha representing India at the Olympics.

Speaking to *TNIE*, Sireesha said, "This (the bronze at Khelo India) is my fifth national-level medal and the first after I lost my father-cum-first coach. I've won at least 30 medals, including 26 gold in various State-level athletics meets."

Sireesha recalled that her father always used to tell her with a smile that she would represent India at the Olympics. "My father had a dream to see me representing India in international athletic meets and encouraged me in athletics since my childhood even if he faced a lot of criticism from his friends and neighbours for encouraging a girl in athletics," she said.

"He died in a road accident in 2019. I thank my luck that he had at least seen me win a gold medal in the junior national championship in Tirupati in 2018. After his sudden demise, two square meals a day has become a luxury for me," Sireesha said.

SHE'S AIMING TO BEAT HIMA DAS' RECORD

Mugada Sireesha said her aim is to beat sprinter Hima Das's national record of 50.79 seconds in 400-metre race. She is now under Dronacharya Award-winning coach Nagapuri Ramesh's mentorship in Hyderabad

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Three persons were taken into custody by the police in Belagavi for allegedly hanging the effigy of former BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma, who had made controversial remarks about the Prophet. Mohmmad Shoaib Abdul Gafar Hakeem, Aman Mokashi and Arbaaz Mokashi, are residents of Deshpande Galli, Belagavi. According to sources, Sharma's effigy was hanged by a rope at Deshpande Galli on June 9, around 10.54 pm, and the incident was recorded on CCTV cameras

FILE PICTURE

Two students respond to notice, one attends class

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OF the three students of University College at Hampankatta in Mangaluru, who were issued a show-cause notice for giving statements over wearing hijab against the college and its principal, one attended classes on Saturday.

Three students including a final-year student Gousiya had held a press conference a few days ago following which college principal Anasuya Rai had issued a show-cause notice to them and they were given time till Wednesday to respond. Rai wrote to Mangalore University officials seeking response as to what action can be taken against the students.

Meanwhile, Mangalore University Vice-Chancellor Dr PS Yadapadithaya had stated that the students will be given more time to respond to the notice, failing which they will be suspended.

On Saturday, two students including Gousiya responded to the notice. One even apologised and attended classes, while another was absent. Their responses have been forwarded to Mangalore University.

Rai said evaluation of BCom subjects is underway at the University College, which is why online classes are being held for degree students for the last 15 days. Only post-graduate students are allowed physical classes.

Rebels SR Srinivas and Srinivasa Gowda have proved they don't need backing of the party to win elections

JDS MLAs with clout hurdle to leadership

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SOME JDS leaders are planning to move out of the party ahead of the 2023 Assembly polls, based on their calculations that the party and its leadership will have no bearing on the results in their constituencies.

One of them is former minister and Gubbi MLA SR Srinivas, who made his debut in the Assembly as an independent and grew as a Vokkaliga leader in a constituency that does not have a considerable vote share of the community. He managed to win four times in a row on a JDS ticket and was a minister in the JDS-Congress coalition government in 2018.

Though the constituency is dominated by the Veerashaiva-Lingayat community, he could unite backward classes and SC/STs and win. He has now kept the option of joining either BJP or Congress. During the recent Rajya Sabha polls, he voted in favour of BJP's Lehar Singh Siroya, while he is on good terms with KPCC president DK Shivakumar and Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah.

The other rebel, K Srinivasa Gowda from Kolar, openly claimed that he voted for the Congress candidate in the Rajya Sabha elections because he "loved it". He has built his political career carefully, and on his own. Since 1994, he has won four elections from different parties, including Janata Dal, JDU, Congress and JDS.

Here, the Ahinda community, which is almost double the size of Vokkaligas, is likely to give Srinivas Gowda an edge in the Assembly polls, said M Gangadhara, a Dalit leader. "JDS and BJP will find it hard to defeat him," he remarked.

The two Vokkaliga leaders have proved how they have grown in clout using their own and JDS strategies in constituencies that are not dominated by the community. But JDS may not take their desertions kindly and, in all likelihood, hit back. The party has already declared BS Nagaraju, a Vokkaliga, as its candidate, apparently to stop the community's votes going in favour of Srinivas. Also, BJP state vice-president BY Vijayendra is eyeing the Gubbi seat to contest the Assembly elections.

In Kolar, JDS may field either a Vokkaliga, minority or backward classes leader to defeat Srinivas Gowda, party insiders said.

In North Karnataka, Basavaraj Horatti and Konareddy gave an edge to the party, but they have now joined BJP and Congress respectively. In Kaduru, YSV Datta has already identified with Siddaramaiah to defeat "communal" BJP.

Also, fence-sitters in JDS , like Chamundeswari MLA GT Deve Gowda, Shivalinge Gowda of Arasikere and AT Ramaswamy of Arakalagudu, will make their intentions clear gradually, a source said.

POLITICAL RADAR

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ADVANTAGE BJP; LOST OPPORTUNITY FOR CONG

AT a time when the BJP state unit is preparing for a series of elections and its government is facing a flurry of challenges, the Rajya Sabha poll results come as a good harbinger for the Assembly and Lok Sabha polls.

It is not just the victory of Lehar Singh Siroya... the BJP has a much bigger reason to celebrate as the elections to the Upper House widen the wedge between the opposition parties. Though the ruling party did not have adequate numbers to win the third seat, its task was made easy as Congress and the JDS were at each other's jugular instead of taking on the party in power. That brings happy tidings for the BJP despite its share of challenges.

For Congress, it is a lost opportunity to send a clear message to like-minded parties fighting BJP in different states and show its leadership to take on the ruling party. It was not about helping the JDS or stopping BJP from winning one more seat, but as a national party, it was more about its ability to take the lead and put up a formidable fight against the BJP.

The party that is trying to stop the BJP at the national level needs to have some sort of understanding with like-minded regional parties. Not being able to do so reflected badly on the party. The Grand Old Party hardly had any chance of winning the second seat, but it could have stopped the BJP from getting one more seat. What is astonishing is that despite its brainstorming sessions at the national and state level, Congress failed to even plan well to put up a decent fight against the BJP, but focused all its energies on defeating the JDS.

Congress' audacious plan backfired as the party with just 25 surplus votes for its second candidate acted like an assertive big brother instead of being more like an accommodating elder brother.

A section of Congress leaders may justify the action by

underlining the need to diminish the JDS influence and to consolidate the party's support base among minorities ahead of the 2023 polls. Given the regional party's efforts to woo the minorities, denting the Congress' prospects and its strong presence in the Old Mysuru region, the Congress' plan may sound logical in the long run. But for now, the party ended up being "penny wise and pound foolish" as it hardly gained anything except letting the BJP win the seat without any fight. The RS outcome will hardly have any impact on the regional party.

Like in any election, several internal dynamics may have played a role in Congress not having an understanding with the regional party and the JDS playing hardball by refusing to back down.

The animosity between Congress and JDS leaders intensified during the polls, making it difficult for them to have any tacit understanding to take on BJP, in any elections in the near future. Widening the wedge between the two would give BJP more space for any possible backdoor maneuverability with the JDS in the days ahead, as humiliated by the defeat, the regional party leaders will be looking for every opportunity to settle scores with Congress. Upcoming elections to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and other local bodies may see that scenario playing out.

Both the parties were looking beyond the RS polls and preparing for the 2023 Assembly polls when they had resorted to tough political posturing, but they ended up being more serious about fighting each other and not the ruling party.

POLLS TO FOUR MLC SEATS TODAY, 49 CANDIDATES IN THE RACE

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KARNATAKA is all set for elections to four MLC seats on Monday. The polling will be held between 8 am and 5 pm and the counting of votes will take place on June 15. In all, 2,84,922 teachers and graduates are expected to exercise their franchise in 607 polling stations.

As many as 49 candidates, including four women, are contesting the polls, while representatives of three major political parties, BJP, Congress and JDS, too are in fray.

BJP and Congress have fielded one candidate in all the four constituencies -- North-West Graduates, South Graduates, North-West Teachers and West Teachers. JDS is fielding candidates for all the seats, except the North-West Graduates. The results are important for the BJP government to retain its majority in the 75-member Upper House.

The elections have been necessitated as the terms of BJP's Hanamant Nirani (NW Graduates), JDS' KT Srikante Gowda (South Graduates), BJP's Arun Shahpur (NW Teachers) and JDS' Basavaraj Horatti (West teachers) are ending on July 4. Former Chairman of the Legislative Council Horatti is now contesting as a BJP candidate.

A tough fight is likely between Arun Shahpur of BJP and former Congress MP Prakash Hukkeri in NW Teachers' constituency. In South Graduates' constituency, former MLC MV Ravishankar from BJP, Madhu G Madegowda from Congress and HK Ramu from JDS are in fray.

BHOVI GROUP

'Nod for caste survey if Cong forms govt'

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IN an effort to woo the backward classes, Leader of opposition Siddaramaiah promised the SC Bhovi community that if the Congress comes back to power it will accept the caste survey conducted by the backward classes commission.

"When I was the CM, the commission had done the socio-economic survey at an estimated cost of Rs 162 crore. The successive governments have not accepted it yet. If we come back to power, we will accept it," he said at the Bhovi community convention held at Bannerghatta.

The community has backed him in all the elections, he said, and added that he had set up the Bhovi Development Corporation.

Pushing his point of Aryan-Dravidian origin, he said, "When I revealed this fact, I was branded as anti-Hindu and anti-RSS but one should speak out in a strongly," he asserted. Commending the Nalwadi Krishnaraj Wadiyar's contribution of implementing the quota for the backward classes as early as 1917, amid opposition from the Mysuru empire's then Dewan, Siddaamaiah said he had given a quota in the civil contract works for the SCs for the first time in the country.

He also listed the works he had done during his tenure as CM including reservation in promotion, hike in funds for the SCP/TSP schemes and a law to punish officials who failed to spend the funds.

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Breaking traffic rules and getting away too

A bike rally by BJP in Mangaluru on Sunday to mark eight years of PM Narendra Modi's rule, became news for the wrong reasons. As videos and pictures of the rally started flowing on social media, netizens slammed BJP MLA Dr Y Bharat Shetty, who led the rally, and scores of others for riding without helmets. DYFI president Muneer Katipalla put Mangaluru Police in a tight spot by asking why there was no police action against the MLA and others for traffic violations, while the common man was penalised for sundry errors.

How Siddaramaiah missed a 'doctorate'

After some brisk politicking for the Rajya Sabha election and campaigning for MLC polls, Opposition leader **Siddaramaiah** was in a relaxed mood in Mysuru, as he enthusiastically watched a play organised by Mysuru Bar Association, at Kalamandir. The former chief minister, who sat through the over 90-minute play, recalled his association with mythological drama, which he was part of during his days as taluk board member and advocate. He called on youngsters and the public to get involved in theatre, which he said can enrich life. Recalling his good old days, Siddaramaiah said he had once played a doctor in a play, 'Yamadharma Rayana Sannidiyalli'. "Though I was an advocate, I had played the character of doctor, maybe that's why I couldn't become a doctor," he quipped. But he did turn into a political spin doctor...

Under pressure from 'above'

Senior politician from Dharwad Basavaraj Horatti, who recently joined the BJP, is in no mood to target his new party over raging current issues. During a recent press briefing, when Horatti did not answer many questions pertaining to the textbook revision controversy, a reporter asked him if he had lost courage after switching to BJP. Horatti finally smiled and said, "You will know if someone from your head office brings pressure on you." No explanation needed.

Aam aadmi Jaishankar caught in traffic

Surprise, surprise! Not one to indulge in VIP culture, Minister for External Affairs **Subrahmanyam Jaishankar** opted to grit and bear Bengaluru's infamous peak-hour traffic last Thursday evening. The minister sat casually in his car, busy with his mobile, immune to both traffic and awestruck citizens peering at him. His convoy of three vehicles passed through the city roads, with his pilot sounding the siren only at the Cubbon Park traffic signal opposite Vidhana Soudha. Cops noted the Union minister in the car, and immediately turned the signal green. Not a minute of bother for home-bound Bengalureans.

'Country must address expectations of youth'

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"THE state governments cannot wash their hands of their responsibilities and duties towards their people. Many problems are local in nature and providing education, skill training, food, shelter and health to its people is the responsibility of states," he added.

On the hijab row, which started in Karnataka, Saran said the Centre is examining the role of PFI, its funding and external linkages. "The PFI doesn't have a positive agenda and fishes in troubled waters," he said. "Radicalisation is a problem. De-radicalization and capacity building are the two important goals of our national security policy."

He added that India being a democracy, people have the right to freedom of expression. "People have the right to free expression so long as they don't violate the Constitution and Fundamental Rights of other fellow citizens. Today, there is a greater articulation of political opinion of both sides of the divide. The role of media, visual and social, is vital and often, the source of the problem. Advanced democracies like the US and European countries face the same problem. We are not as mature as those countries, and need greater awareness. In a country the size of India, we have to create our own models to protect and promote our security. Look at our economic growth and opportunities that have grown because of reforms," he said.

"Most importantly, the country must address the expectations and aspirations of young India. The challenge of finding jobs, skilling them are the core issues," he added.

On the Ukraine conflict, Saran, who was India's former diplomat to Russia, said it is a "classic case of failure of diplomacy. Both sides have to be blamed. The issue cannot be resolved unless there is a diplomatic settlement. The world is looking for leadership. The UN has failed to address this issue, which is leading to a major global food and fuel crisis. It is a historic opportunity for the US to broker a settlement between Moscow and Kiev, but it doesn't look like the Biden administration is ready to play that role".

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Pankaj Saran, former Deputy National Security Adviser

Saran said India's stand on the Ukraine conflict has been "excellent". No strategic expert or Opposition leader had any criticism of the way the government handled the geopolitics of the Ukraine conflict. The government will have to face the economic fallout of the conflict, and we have been telling the West that buying fuel from Russia overrides any other geopolitical concern, said Saran.

Regarding the targeted killings in Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) and threats to India by the Al-Qaeda in Indian Subcontinent (AQIS), he said it is a "proxy of Pakistan's ISI. Pakistan is in a critical stage, and is one more glaring example of the failure of alliance with China after Sri Lanka, which is facing economic collapse. The belief China offers solutions to benevolent parties is going to come unstuck".

Anubhava Mantapa built over Peer Pasha Bungalow, claim seers

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ACTIVISTS of Veerashaiva Lingayat Sanghatana Vedike, led by its president Pradeep Kanakanawadi, and pontiffs of various mutts staged a rally here and later congregated at Ther Maidan to put pressure on the government to find the location of the original Anubhava Mantapa in Basavakalyan.

Various seers, including Tadola Mutt seer Shri Rajashekhar Shivacharya Swamiji, who spearheaded the agitation, said people of Basavakalyan were of the opinion that Peer Pasha Bungalow was built on the original Anubhava Mantapa, and is in possession of people from the minority community.

The pontiffs demanded the government acquire the Peer Pasha Bungalow as scholars, including 12th century social reformer Basaveshwara, used to hold meetings here, and Anubhava Mantapa was popularly known as the first Parliament in the world. Seers and followers of Basaveshwara requested that the archeological department conduct a survey, and that they be allowed to visit the place.

Pontiffs of various mutts submit a memorandum addressed to the CM to Bidar DC Govind Reddy in Basavakalyan

Basavakalyan MLA Sharanu Salgar said he supports the demands of the pontiffs. Salgar said he would meet CM Basavaraj Bommai soon, and request him to acquire the place. Later, a memorandum was submitted to Bommai through Bidar DC Govind Reddy, seeking that survey work be taken up.

The pontiffs originally planned to hold a padayatra up to Peer Pasha Bangalow to put pressure on the government, but later changed their plan, as per the request of the administration, and held a rally. Sri Rama Sene president Pramod Mutalik, who was expected to participate at the rally as the court had given conditional permission, did not make it.

It may be recalled Bommai had announced a few days ago that he would ask the archeological department to conduct a study on whether the original Anubhava Mantapa was at the Peer Pasha Bungalow location.

Lehar Singh: I'll be PRO for inter-state issues

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THE newly elected Rajya Sabha member **Lehar Singh Siroya** said he will try to take the Rajya Sabha members from the neighbouring states into confidence to find amicable solutions to the inter-state issues, including the issue of inter-state river water sharing.

"I will be like a PRO (Public Relations Officer) for various issues related to the state and try to coordinate with members from various parties and states on the inter-state issues," Siroya told TNIE. As a member of the State Legislative Council, Siroya had a good rapport with members across party lines.

Despite lacking adequate votes to win the seat on its own, Siroya's rapport with members from other parties and the failure of the Congress and JDS to strike a pact in the June 10 RS polls, helped BJP bag the third seat.

Siroya said projects like Mekedatu Balancing Reservoir should not be made political, and efforts should be made to resolve the issue, taking everyone into confidence. "I would like to address such issues and try to win over members from those states. We have to be more inclusive and try to take everyone into confidence," he added. Tamil Nadu government has raised objections to the Mekedatu project.

The Tamil Nadu government on Sunday transferred more than 30 IAS officials, including Health Secretary J Radhakrishnan. Radhakrishnan, who played a vital role in handling Covid, has been posted as Principal Secretary of Cooperation, Food and Consumer Protection Department

INVESTMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE: FROM PLAGUED BENGALURU TO BEYOND

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

FORMER US President Barack Obama had famously lauded Bengaluru, saying SM Krishna -- who was Karnataka's 16th chief minister between 1999 and 2004 -- had achieved the unbelievable in the city.

Today, while it is true that Bangalore aka Bengaluru is a brand and a name that is recognised across the world, it is not without its huge share of challenges.

Poor roads, problems which keep recurring thanks to poor quality material used in their construction and which cannot stand up to rain, poor road network design that ensures a perennial problem of traffic bottlenecks, interrupted power supply, that is not so noticeable thanks to the uninterruptible power source (UPS) system manufacturers and distributors in the private sector laughing all the way to the banks, and water problems — these are among the main problems the state capital faces.

But the most critical challenge that Brand Bengaluru faces is the challenge of leadership to tackle the problems once and for all.

Former Bangalore Agenda Task Force (BATF) member V Ravichandar, says, "We lack a few Cs: Commitment, Coordination and Competence. Unfortunately, what should have actually been lacking is found to be in excess: Corruption. The extended city's crumbling infrastructure is a visible manifestation of our challenges. We tend to take it for granted that Brand Bengaluru, which is primarily a result of the citizenry, will endure despite all the snafus and neglect. History tells us that cities do wither away, but they can also rejuvenate themselves. Can we? It will need political leadership and administrative action. The citizens' involvement is off the charts in Bengaluru. We need matching reciprocity from the powers that be. The future beckons and we live in hope."

Everyone knows that one cannot establish Brand Bengaluru without being consistent, and while maintaining that consistency.

INCONSISTENT BENGALURU

But what has Bengaluru's consistency been? It started off excellently during 1999-2004, steered by a visionary SM Krishna through BATF. But BATF itself was virtually dumped by the two subsequent coalition governments that JDS was part of between 2004 and 2008 as that party's support came mainly from the rural hinterland.

The aim of BATF, a public-private partnership (PPP), was to bring together businesses and civic leaders to devise a development agenda for the city and suggest ways for the city's infrastructure and service delivery to be upgraded and improved according to the best practices elsewhere.

The raison d'etre of BATF was to foster a partnership among the citizenry and various civic agencies to build government capacity to beef up infrastructure.

In 2008, BS Yediyurappa, who rode to power, started a vision group -- Bangalore Political Action Committee (BPAC) -- to spearhead the need for development. Between 2013 and till date, there has been little action on the Brand Bengaluru front.

After several industry leaders spoke up, it finally took a leader of the repute of SM Krishna — himself in a state of semi-retirement — to remind Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai that Brand Bengaluru needs to be protected. He said that whatever threatens Brand Bengaluru can impact investments eventually. Investments in Bengaluru, since the early 1990s, have been humongous. It single-handedly propelled Karnataka to the top spot globally as IT city and a knowledge hub.

WOES GALORE

But is corporate Bengaluru pleased with the infrastructure? Entrepreneur Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Executive Chairperson and founder, Biocon, says she has not been pleased with the infrastructure and took to Twitter to express her displeasure.

BIG PICTURE

Ashok Soota, Executive Chairman, Happiest Minds Technologies, who is recognised as one of the pioneering leaders of the Indian IT Industry, says, "I agree completely with Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw that Bengaluru's roads are pathetic. The pavements are even worse. The way multiple wires are strung up over the pavement is a disgrace."

A senior bureaucrat complained that industrialists cannot easily buy land anywhere in Karnataka. They start an industry and then begin complaining that infrastructure is not available here. He says MLAs and MPs and local politicians are not exactly in charge of roads. He says Beangaluru has a city limit and complaints about lack of infrastructure outside the city limits cannot be raised because everyone understands the city limits.

He explains that established industrial areas are connected by a network of roads and it is the duty of the government to build that infrastructure. But if someone complains about some remote place then that is another question.

Brand Guru Harish Bijoor says, "Brand Bengaluru has two facets today – the image, on the one end, and the ground reality, at the other. Those of us who live on Ground Zero understand the reality of an already crumbled infrastructure. Note: The infrastructure is not crumbling, it already has! This reality needs to be first understood and then rectified. With all the mind and money power at our disposal, all that is needed is the right attitude."

One former iconic IAS officer, who is credited with being one of the builders of modern Bengaluru and who built many flyovers and other essential infrastructure, says, "Only two things are required: First, an officer with integrity, and second, an officer with commitment."

LOWER BUREAUCRACY THE BANE?

Former president, Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FKCCI), D Muralidhar, who has served as member of city's planning commission and member of the board of governors at Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Bangalore, says, "Bengaluru has attracted investments worth lakhs of crores over a period of time. A large chunk of investments, up to a quarter of the $88 billion in FDI, come to Bengaluru. But there is a marked deterioration in the quality of lower bureaucracy as there is rampant corruption."

He says this is happening even as the state capital faces stiff competition not only from other countries, but also from other states like Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra.

Unless the state government and the bureaucracy, from top to bottom, helps in the process of attracting investment, it will not have the desired impact.

"The government will have to take note of this and address all issues, not so much at policy level as much as at the implementation level. You may have the best policies on paper, but if it is not implemented effectively then Brand Bengaluru suffers. The government needs to pull up its socks immediately. Post-pandemic, we are not able to handle the pressure on infrastructure," he says. It is probably the reason why several from the ruling dispensation as well as business leaders, knowing that Bengaluru's infrastructural sufferings would take a long time to address, are now pushing for investments beyond Bengaluru. And why not?

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PROSPECTS ACROSS THE STATE

AT THE WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM IN DAVOS, CHIEF MINISTER BASAVARAJ BOMMAI SAID INVESTMENTS WILL BE CHANNELLED NOT JUST TO BENGALURU, BUT BEYOND TOO. TNIE TAKES A LOOK AT THE PROSPECTS BEYOND B'LURU

VIJAYAPURA

Big sector is agriculture with main products being raisins and lime

No big industries here, but under One District One Product scheme, the govt is encouraging entrepreneurs to set up small-scale industries to produce lime products

Providing proper marketing platforms for products of raisins and lime is a challenge

BAGALKOT

Agriculture, fabric and granite are the big sectors here

Murugesh R Nirani Group of Industries is the biggest sugar and ethanol producer in the district

There is big scope for granite business in Ilkal and Hungund regions

District houses thousands of traditional handloom and powerloom weavers

Taking the popular Ilkal granite to the global market is a big challenge

DHARWAD

Part of Mumbai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor

5,000 acres of land being acquired for industries

Scope for investment in IT, automobile, consumer electronics and durable goods cluster, FMCG cluster

D. KANNADA

Investment opportunities in banking, education, healthcare, fisheries, medical equipment, tourism and IT sector

Non-availability of land, lack of ecosystem for employment are some of the challenges

Some big firms are Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd, Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Ltd, CAMPCO factory, Mangalore Chemicals and Fertilizers, BASF India Ltd and Infosys

KALABURAGI

A lot of investment opportunities in mobile assembly units, assembling of vehicle parts, software industries and manufacturing units.

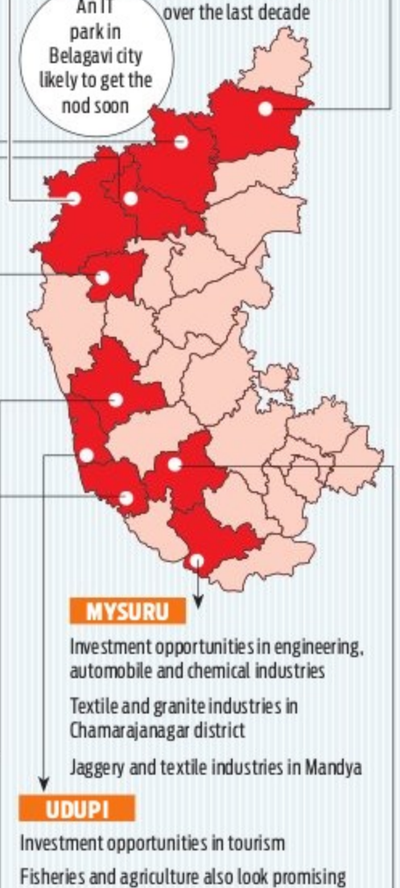
20 pharma units coming up at Kadechur, Yadgir district

BELAGAVI

Investment opportunities in textile industry

The traditional textile industry which produces Shahpur sarees that have demand across India and abroad. The industry is facing a financial crisis and produ-ction has taken a hit over the last decade

An IT park in Belagavi city likely to get the nod soon



MYSURU

Investment opportunities in engineering, automobile and chemical industries

Textile and granite industries in Chamarajanagar district

Jaggery and textile industries in Mandya

UDUPI

Investment opportunities in tourism

Fisheries and agriculture also look promising

Scope for investment in environment-friendly sectors as the region is eco-sensitive

HASSAN

Huge scope for potato products manufacturing and export units

The Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board set up special economic zones for textile, chemicals and food processing at an industrial growth centre with over 500 acres available for industries

Airport coming up near Bhuvanahalli near Hassan

SHIVAMOGGA

Investment opportunities in foundry, paper, IT, textiles, tourism, food processing and carpentry

Lack of uninterrupted power supply and unavailability of skilled manpower are some of the challenges

Shivamogga Airport, being constructed at Sogane village, expected to be operational by year-end

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Sabarimala temple to be opened on June 14

Sabarimala :The Lord Ayyappa temple here will be opened on June 14 for the five-day monthly pooja for the Malayalam month of Mithunam. Melsanthi Parameswaran Nampoothiri will open the sreekovil at 5pm in the presence of thantri Mahesh Mohanaru. No rituals will be performed at the sreekovil in the evening. The temple will be closed on June 19. **ENS**

HYD GANG RAPE

Crime scene reconstruction conducted

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad

CITY police investigating the case of a 17-year-old's gang rape at Jubilee Hills reconstructed the crime scene with the six accused, including five CCLs (Children in conflict with the law) on Sunday. The accused were first taken to the pub, where the victim and the accused partied and then to a bakery and then to an isolated location in Road No. 44 off Jubilee Hills, where the five accused raped her one after the other in an Innova.

While the custodial questioning of the CCLs will continue on Monday, the custody of one of the accused Saduddin Malik completed on Sunday. He will be produced before the court on Monday. During the scene reconstruction, police questioned the accused on the details about who first escorted the victim into the Innova, who first drove the vehicle and who first assaulted her. They also questioned who had actually made the plan to trap the girl. It was learnt that the accused continued their blame game on who took the lead during each phase of the offence. However, police who have already recorded the victim's statements, are in the process of gathering technical evidence to verify their claims.

Tar balls surface on Kodi beach

ENS @ Udupi

ENVIRONMENTALISTS and local residents at Kodi beach in Kundapur, Udupi district, are a worried lot after noticing deposits of black and slimy tar balls along the shore. Environmentalists here say that they have been observing the sea water become oily for the last three weeks. Churning of currents on high seas might have pushed these sticky and oily tar balls to the shore, they suspect.

Dr Durgaprasad Hegde, an orthopaedic surgeon by profession and an environmental activist, said that it was worrying to see sea water mixed with oil at Kodi beach. ''Some visitors to the beach have experienced skin irritation and itching too. This is also detrimental to marine life," he said. Ashish Reddy MV, DCF, Kundapur division, told *The New Indian Express* that action will have to be taken under the Environment Protection Act by the pollution control board. He added that he will bring the incident to the notice of Udupi Deputy Commissioner Kurma Rao M.

Drunk medico rams biker, cops seize car

ENS @ Bengaluru

A 24-year-old medical student from KIMS, involved in a drink-drive case, tried to create a ruckus and reversed into a biker as he tried to escape near Madiwala, on Saturday evening. Police seized his car. Police said Vijay Bharadwaj, from Bihar, pursuing MS at KIMS in VV Puram, was involved in a stalking case in December 2021, and had been arrested by Amruthahalli police.

As he was moving recklessly towards Madiwala around 6.30pm Saturday, he was caught by the public, and when he tried to reverse, he hit the biker who suffered minor injuries. Residents alerted Madiwala traffic police. Bharadwaj, who tried to create a ruckus, was taken into custody. A breathalyser check showed he was under the influence of alcohol. Police seized his vehicle. Police asked Bharadwaj to pay a fine of Rs 10,000 in court, and let him off after a warning for hitting the biker, who refused to file a complaint.

New electrical test for families at risk of sudden cardiac deaths

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

WHILE genetics has been one of the major reasons for sudden cardiac deaths, here is a new electrical test that will allow families around the world, suffering from inherited heart disorders, to discover if they are carrying genetic mutations that cause sudden cardiac arrests.

Such cardiac arrests happen when electrical activity in the heart stops, and the organ can't pump blood around the body, causing death within 10 minutes. Researchers from Sydney's Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute have come up with an electric test that can screen hundreds of gene mutations to pinpoint the exact mutations that are harmful to the heart for those suffering from inherited heart disorder syndromes, that can cause sudden death.

"We need to see if this is practically feasible or not. We should not misunderstand that it will help in all cardiovascular diseases. There are a few genetically driven cardiac diseases like Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy. In such cases, this test will definitely help," explains Dr Manjunath C N, Director, Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Research and Hospital.

Lead researcher Professor Jamie Vandenberg, in papers published in the American Journal of Human Genetics, says that sudden cardiac arrests in young people "send alarm bells" for the "high chance" that a genetic condition is to blame.

"The problem with these genetic mutations is that they're often silent, so the patients themselves don't know, and it's only when the first member of the family has a major event that we find out," Prof Jamie explains. This test assesses variants in an ion channel gene that causes an inherited heart arrhythmia condition called Long QT Syndrome Type 2. They're now classifying all known variants in this gene to determine which are benign and which are dangerous, and will be uploading the findings to a giant genetic database that will be accessible to clinicians the world over. The test they have developed can easily be adapted to test other ion channel genes – not just ones associated with sudden cardiac arrests but a wide range of other diseases spanning neurological, kidney and muscle disorders.

Dr Manjunath added that this will definitely be of help in risk categorising. However, genetic basis alone cannot be a univariate factor for sudden cardiac deaths and that must be remembered, he added.

Woman found dead on tracks near Jolarpettai, suicide suspected

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

THE wife of a banker lost her life after she is suspected to have jumped out of the train towards Bengaluru in which she was travelling with her husband. The body of 33-year-old Uma, a postgraduate in Mathematics, was recovered on the railway tracks near Jolarpettai on Saturday morning.

According to sources, B Sasidhar Naik, an Indian Bank employee, and wife Uma were on their way to KSR Bengaluru on the Tirupati-Chamrajnagar Express on Friday night. "The duo had boarded their train at Katpadi Junction in Tamil Nadu on June 10 at 11.58 pm and the train was slated to reach their destination station, KSR Bengaluru, the following morning (Saturday) at 4.25 am. They were seated in the B2 compartment, an AC 3-tier coach," said a source.

Naik had been transferred by his office from Chennai to Chikkaballapur and was on way to Karnataka to join duty with his wife, a source explained. "As the train neared Whitefield around 3 am, he realised his wife was missing. She could not be traced anywhere on the train. After the train reached KSR station, Naik approached railway police for help," the source added. An alert was sounded across all its stations by the police. It then came to light that the body of a middle aged woman was found near Jolarpettai.

As of now, police suspect it to be a case of suicide as her footwear, mobile phone and other belongings were left behind inside the compartment. "No one generally walks inside a train without footwear. So, if someone accidentally falls out, it will happen with their footwear on. Hence, as of now, we suspect it to be a case of suicide," another source said.

Further investigations are on.

2 held for assaulting fuel station staff

BENGALURU: Byatarayanapura police have arrested two men on charges of assaulting staff of a fuel station after threatening them with lethal weapons and refusing to pay. The incident was caught on CCTV camera. The accused Uday, 22, and Kiran, 23, are residents of Bapujinagar. The police said the duo on bike filled petrol at the fuel station on June 2 and refuse to pay. One of them threatened the staff with a machete and kicked a staff before fleeing from the scene. **ENS**

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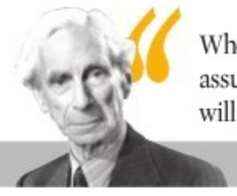

When a moderate degree of comfort is assured, both individuals and communities will pursue power rather than wealth

Bertrand Russell

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— Ramnath Goenka

BURNISHED CREDENTIALS AND BRUISED EGOS IN RAJYA SABHA ELECTIONS

If the just concluded Rajya Sabha elections to 16 seats in four states showcased the deft managerial skills of Ashok Gehlot in Rajasthan, Basavaraj Bommai in Karnataka and Devendra Fadnavis in Maharashtra; the last name emerged the tallest of them all, drawing a grudging word of acknowledgement from Sharad Pawar. The Machiavellian NCP patriarch is not known to use adjectives lightly. He said Fadnavis pulled off a miracle by drawing all Independents and smaller parties to win a difficult third seat. The game was played through second preference votes, where the BJP showed it was smarter at poll management than the Shiv Sena. By doing so, the BJP gave itself a psychological advantage ahead of the Presidential polls next month. Another booster shot for the BJP came from Bommai, as the party benefited from the squabbling opposition to win a third seat, drawing laurels from Prime Minister Narendra Modi. That seat was very much within the grasp of the Congress/JD(S) had they put up a joint candidate but both sides refused to look at the bigger picture of opposition unity and paid the price.

If Rajasthan showed the limitations of money power as media magnate Subhash Chandra lost his way in the race, Haryana offered a diametrically opposite case study with another media biggie Kartikeya Sharma muscling his way into the Rajya Sabha with a slim margin using his family's networking and alleged deep pockets. In the process, Sharma trounced Congress heavyweight Ajay Maken. The loss tarred the reputation of Haryana Congress strongman Bhupinder Singh Hooda, who wrested control over the state unit of the party and is running it by proxy. Sena CM Uddhav Thackeray, too, joined the list of bruised egos.

The consolation prize of course went to Gehlot for skilfully herding his Rajasthan flock and keeping predator Chandra away from the fence. It burnished his credentials as a doer, giving the Rajasthan CM a bigger breathing space from his ambitious rival Sachin Pilot. In sum, the polls had a generous mix of the skilled and the dodgy with some cross-voting thrown in between. It also showed it is a game of big stakes played by power brokers. How such netas would contribute to healthy lawmaking is anybody's guess.

ENGINEERING COLLEGES NEED A MIDAS TOUCH

Real estate and manufacturing sectors may have emerged from the throes of the pandemic-induced inertia but engineering jobs in the two traditional streams of civil and mechanical seem to have lost their sheen. The news that at least 37 engineering colleges in Tamil Nadu, the Mecca of technical education in the South, are looking for complete closure of the two streams while 234 colleges seek to reduce the intake of students is hardly baffling. The fact is that several engineering colleges in the state are bleeding.

Tamil Nadu had 211 engineering colleges affiliated to Anna University in 2005, which more than doubled to 495 by 2015 thanks to the boom in 2008 and 2009. Today, however, the number stands reduced at 440 with several poorly-run colleges shutting down for want of students, amid steeply rising operational costs. In 2021–22 alone, 20 colleges downed shutters and another eight are looking to wind up this year.

Three years ago, when colleges in TN struggled to fill up even half of the total seats of around 1.7 lakh, AICTE chairman Anil D Sahasrabudhe had squarely put the blame on the high number of colleges in the state. In addition, a general drop in standards of education in colleges as well as inferior campus placement, and the increased competition from private deemed universities, had left them gasping for breath. Today, the situation is pretty much the same with colleges awaiting a Midas touch. There is a crying need to revamp the syllabi of engineering courses to enhance the employability of the students. As the job market in the IT sector continues to be good, colleges should start courses in new-age streams such as artificial intelligence, big data, cybersecurity, machine learning, and internet of things. Streams such as agricultural and biomedical will continue to be in demand. A dynamic curriculum that can accommodate quick changes will help colleges in making students more relevant to the industry. They should also have regular conversations with business leaders to get the pulse of the fast-changing requirements of the market. Going forward, non-availability of manpower should not cripple India's economic growth.

The Indian government should create policies that focus on GDP growth with equitable income distribution. India can then attract investments and curb high profile exits

THE MIDDLE CLASS AND GLOBAL COMPANIES

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High profile global companies exiting the country always attracts attention. Ford Motor, Metro AG and Holcim were among those who decided to call it quits in the recent past. Earlier, there were a spate of telecom exits—Docomo, Aircel, Telenor, Systema and others. In the auto sector, General Motors and Harley Davidson were two big names that decided to exit India long before Ford. And these were only the big global brand names.

According to a reply by Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal in Parliament, 2,783 foreign companies closed their offices or operations in India between 2014 and November 2021. Of course, many more entered the country—10,756 global firms set up liaison, branch, project or other offices in India during the same period. But, even though new global entrants are coming in, it is important to understand why so many are also giving up on the Indian market despite having invested billions of dollars and spent decades in the country.

Two main reasons have often been proffered. The first is poor product and marketing strategies that led to losses piling up. The second is policy flip-flops that made the market unattractive—the prime example is the telecom industry, which proved to be a graveyard for most global telecom giants.

There is a third reason that does not get quite as much attention. It is the fact that the size of the market in India turned out to be smaller, less attractive and growing at a slower pace than many multinationals had initially projected.

When the Indian economic reforms were initiated in 1991, most big global companies looked at India with great interest because of the potential market size it represented. With a population close to China's, a demography which would see the working age population remain much higher than the retirees for several decades to come and a number of sectors being opened up for domestic and global investors, India was easily one of the most attractive—if not the most attractive—countries to set up operations in.

The thinking was that investments in various sectors would create jobs and boost incomes and push an increasing number of people in the ranks of what is termed the "middle class". The appetite for goods and services of this booming middle class would, in turn, create a virtuous cycle of more investment and more demand in every sector.

To a certain extent, that wisdom held true till the global financial meltdown triggered by the Lehman Brothers collapse in 2008 and even till about 2010–11 because of economic stimulus packages announced by the then government. Between a global boom and successive reform-minded Indian governments, incomes, living standards and consumption grew steadily, especially between 2000 and 2008. But in the past dozen years, things have not gone according to plan. Economic growth has been well below expectations barring a couple of years. Job creation has fared badly. And with more people entering the workforce than jobs being created, this has inevitably had its effect on slowing income growth in most sectors.

> The pandemic only made a bad situation worse. Despite the government talking about the robust bounceback in GDP growth, the Indian economy has barely come back to the level it was at the end of FY20. In fact, per capita income remains below pre-pandemic levels while private consumption is only marginally higher than it was at the end of 2019

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For many global companies, the potential size of the Indian middle class and its consuming power has proved to be a mirage. A recent State of Inequality in India report by the Institute of Competitiveness, released by Bibek Debroy, chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister, posited that people with wages of ₹3 lakh per annum or about ₹25,000 per month fall in the top 10% in India in terms of income. For many MNCs, therefore, the promised huge market in India for their goods never actually materialised.

The government needs to understand this. It has often been fixated on absolute GDP growth numbers rather than GDP growth with more equitable income distribution. Multiple studies show that the top 1% of the population of the country is growing wealthier but the rest of the population has either largely seen their incomes stagnating—or, because of the pandemic, have actually seen incomes shrink. This, in turn, is slowing India's private consumption growth. Unless private consumption goes up rapidly, capacity utilisation will remain too low to attract investments that lead to fresh factories being built. Much of the corporate focus will remain on mergers and acquisitions and brownfield capacity expansion as has happened in dozens of sectors in the past decade.

For the government, the challenge is to create policies that lead to growth with more equitable income distribution. Until that happens, high profile exits will not slow down or stop.

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SITE-SPECIFIC ART: CRITICISM AS SPECTACLE

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The 1960s and 1970s witnessed a radical transformation in the art world as Western artists decided to defy the rules of the medium (painting, sculpture) in their bid to resist the 'autonomy of art' constituted by museums, art markets and related forces. They shed their earlier position of artist-hero or artist-genius only to become 'cultural producers'.

The result was striking as it saw the emergence of various new modes of expression, in which the site-specific art was pivotal. A specific physical site or location with certain significance plays the most integral part of the work; its place-boundedness, often with its transitory nature, had developed a critique of the ideology of 'autonomy' of art and the related cult of artistic genius.

Subsequently, this new mode of expression has incessantly been performed in the Indian art scene since the 1990s. However, it could not strike a chord in the new direction of thought, either in re-presenting the work or in reshaping the viewing subject. Instead, all traditional notions and values embedded in artwork and its genius have been smuggled back into the museum/gallery and have reasserted the authority of the artist as a prime source of work's meaning. Refusing to keep pace with the intellectual and creative need of a complex world today, site-specific art, thus, seems to inoculate itself against the innumerable possibilities of contextualising a space or spatialising a discourse. Let me analyse this paradox with an example.

A site-specific installation titled *The Boat* by one of the celebrated Indian artists, Subodh Gupta, was presented in the Aspinwall House at Fort Kochi in Kerala in 2012. It was one of the most acclaimed works of the last decade. Its main visual property is a 15-metre long rustic wooden boat called *Kettuvallam*, which is infested with disused utensils and various household items. They include aluminium vessels of various kinds including old coats, beds, chairs, zinc roof-sheets, bicycles, etc. They bear traces of wear and tear due to long use by a poor family. The artist himself says, "It seeks to portray the ordinary people and their very ordinary life. It may remind you of a flood or tsunami." A review of the work says, "It will bring to mind a picture of a family plying to escape flood."

However, the viewers are not led to a 'specific' meaning pertaining to what makes this work a site-specific one, nor has the producer of the work attempted to contextualise the site as something specific to this work. In its absence, one can infer that the viewer's experience with the work is largely reduced to a startling moment in front of a spectacular artefact. This displacement certainly deepens the excitement when one encounters the work. Moreover, the work with its inherent notions of 'unconventionality', 'radicality' and so on, may satisfy one's snobbish craving for being part of the cultural elite that the artwork in some sense represents. However, there is more to it than meets the eye.

The ideational intent of the artist (poverty, flood, ordinary life, etc.) hardly manifests itself in any artistic means, mainly because the boat and its objects largely remain to be mere objects of our immediate surroundings without being transformed into meaningful images. If we scan the objects once again from a close quarter, we will find that to fill the voluminous space inside the boat, objects were collected as many as possible and assembled indiscriminately .

They are incapable of reflecting the survival struggle of an ordinary life or the tremour of living when life is under threat during a flood or tsunami. This plain truth reminds us of a crucial point; the artist has to make a certain selection of the objects so as to piece them together in his composition of whatever kind, and has to explore the layers of meaning that the given objects contain within. Such different layers of investigation will enable him to transform an object into an image through 'additional meaning' (Danto) that may go unnoticed otherwise. It is this transformation that makes a commonplace object in an installation to be looked at as something very different from its everydayness.

Whereas, the artist here seems to have ignored this meaning-generating aspect and has not rearranged them in order to construe certain meaning felicitous to both the medium and the subject. So much so, that the way in which the various objects are sorted out, grouped together and tied and kept safe in a large boat, called *Kettuvallam*—which can hardly be used for an immediate transportation—does not seem to express the implicit moment of tension, but it gives rise to an impression that the disused boat may be under the disposal of a vendor in the flea market. This reduces *The Boat* to a deadpan site of a jumble of objects.

The Boat, by Subodh Gupta, 2012

We, therefore, tend to think that this new mode of expression has resulted from the artist's flimsy attraction to the 'newness' and radicality of the medium, without ever fully realising its ideological undertone or mediumistic significance. As a site-specific work, *The Boat* hardly integrates in its expressive realm the specific locality at which the work is thought to perform its meaning, except that it can claim a tenuous relation with the land, which is criss-crossed by many rivers, brooks and backwaters on the one hand, and its unprecedented water-bound tragedy wreck by a tsunami on the other.

This water-bound life and death may be evoked by the presence of the boat for a flickering moment. If that is the case, what significance it assumes remains to be an important question, since such a wafer-thin association fails to offer imaginative involvement of the viewer, either in terms of art or 'art as idea'.

In this sense, *The Boat* hardly seeks to address any aspect of reality pertaining to a specific location that a site-oriented work is expected to do. Nor does it re-present the site in symbolic form. This offers a glaring example of art today. To illustrate this further, an equally beautiful work in this sense will be analysed in the next turn.

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Same song, different lyrics

This is with reference to *CM talks tough as protests mount; tight security, curbs fan public fury* (June 12). Kerala's CM is facing the heat of the gold smuggling scam after Swapna Suresh levelled fresh allegations against him. Like they say, politics is unforgiving. In 2013, the same Left Democratic Front was in opposition and made the most of the solar scam—the Oommen Chandy-led United Democratic Front government was dethroned and LDF came to power. The gold scam is the same song and music but with different lyrics.

Dr. George Jacob, Kochi

Opposition in disarray

Opposition parties at both national and state levels seem to have no unity. The Congress clearly doesn't enjoy nationwide support, especially from regional parties such as YSRCP and TRS. On the other hand, Mamata Banerjee seems relentless in her pursuit to unite the disjointed opposition. But it is futile to hold a meeting of opposition parties at this juncture. The NDA should get its nominee elected as the next President.

Govardhana Myneedu, Vijayawada

Banish fringe elements

This is with reference to the article *Fame-crazy motormouths jeopardise Hinduvata agenda* (June 12). It is sickening to see that BJP has fringe elements with such hate in their hearts. The BJP calls itself the largest democratic party in the world, but they must prune such elements off to be more credible and attract Indians from all walks of life.

C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

TV should not polarise

This is with reference to the article *Fame-crazy motormouths jeopardise Hinduvata agenda* (June 12). Is it necessary for TV channels to take sensational issues and further polarise their viewers? With their speakers screaming at each other during debates about politics and religion, It is only natural to ask: Where are the discussions on burning issues like education, malnutrition, corruption or lack of jobs?

R Sridharan, Chennai

Goodbye, TJS!

I have been a regular reader of TJS George's columns on Sundays. His wit and wisdom made us think, think and think! Thank you very much, TJS George, for giving us food for thought all these years. May you live a long, healthy and happy life ahead.

K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Bhagwant Mann @BhagwantMann
Another good news for the farmers of Punjab. For the first time in the history of Punjab, corn has been sown in an area of more than 1 lakh acres

Shashi Tharoor @ShashiTharoor
My public appeal to PM to break his silence on toxic hatred being spread in the country. He should know that his declared vision of development & growth are in peril

Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath
Bulldozer action against criminals/mafia will continue. No action will be taken on the house of a poor even by mistake

Entire highway network to get GIS mapping

July 31 deadline for completing the mammoth project which will enable smooth monitoring of NHs across India

MODERN NETWORK

GIS maps contain detailed visual representation of data **including location**, topography, **facilities and structures, and images**. Besides, these maps can be easily added to various mobile apps and shared

Mapping done by Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG-N), Gandhi Nagar

1.41 LAKH KM
Total length of NHs in the country as of November 2021

1.30 LAKH KM
Mapping already completed

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

INDIA'S vast network of national highways is poised for a technological makeover as the Union highways ministry has speeded up the process of completely mapping roads with geographic information system (GIS) by July 31.

The ministry of road transport and highways (MoRTH) has asked all the state and Central agencies engaged in developing and maintaining roads to coordinate with its regional offices so that field surveys can be conducted to update and verify details of the mapping done so far.

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Officials said GIS mapping of the entire NH network is one of the most important requirements for planning, executing and monitoring the network but the task has not been completed so far and hence, a target of July 31 has been set.

According to the ministry, BISAG-N has already done GIS mapping of approximately 1.30 lakh kilometres of NHs but it requires updates and verification.

The field units of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in coordination and support of BISAG-N are verifying the details but the field units of the ministry and other agencies such as state public work department (PWD), road construction department (RCD), Border Roads Organisation (BRO), and National Highways and Infrastructure Development (NHIDCL) are also required to engage themselves with BISAG-N for the job, said the officials.

The regional offices of the ministry have also been requested to coordinate with field units of other executing agencies to depute suitable personnel to get the details of all NH sections checked and mapped. They will also ensure availability of details with field units of respective executing agencies for ready reference.

"All agencies have been requested to give directions to its field units dealing with NHs for actionable plan for providing proactive support and cooperation to the regional offices of the ministry — An official

POWER GAMES

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RAJYA SABHA POLLS

CONGMEN BLAME MAKEN'S POLLING AGENT FOR DEFEAT

Congress leader Kuldeep Bishnoi's cross-voting wasn't completely unexpected. It is party leader in charge of Haryana Vivek Bansal's lack of alertness that is being mentioned as the main reason for the defeat of Ajay Maken in the Rajya Sabha elections. Bansal was Maken's polling agent. The Rajya Sabha election is held with open ballot, where MLAs are required to show their votes to their party's authorised polling agent deputed at the polling venue in the state legislative assembly. Congress MLA Kiran Choudhary, whose vote was rejected leading to the defeat of Maken, was among the first ones to vote. She voted before noon. She had shown her ballot paper to Bansal before putting it in the box. Bansal apparently failed to notice the mistake she had made in putting the mark against the Congress candidate. Instead of drawing the prescribed line against Maken's picture and name, Kiran had put a tick mark. Congress leaders now say that if Bansal had caught the error and alerted party leaders present in the Haryana Assembly building, the party could have brought independent MLA Balraj Kundu to vote for Maken. Kundu, a Jat, who has been elected as an independent from Jat-dominated Meham assembly constituency, was the only MLA who abstained from voting. Congress leaders say that in spite of the best efforts of independent candidate Kartikeya Sharma and his resourceful father Venod Sharma, as also of the BJP, Kundu was the only independent who refused to vote against the Congress candidate while all other independents did. They say Kundu has had his differences with Bhupinder Singh Hooda and the Congress, but he might have heeded to Hooda's request to keep his Jat electors happy. The Rajya Sabha election was also seen as a shadow fight between Jats and non-Jats with Hooda on one side and Chief Minister M L Khattar on the other. Kundu was present in the Vidhan Sabha all day chatting with colleagues and friends.

AMID ED NOTICE

Post-Covid issues: Sonia hospitalised

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

Congress president Sonia Gandhi was admitted to the Sir Ganga Ram Hospital here on Sunday owing to post-Covid issues. Randeep Surjewala, Congress general secretary and chief spokesperson, said Gandhi's condition was stable and she will continue to be in the hospital for a few days.

"Congress president Sonia Gandhi was admitted to Ganga Ram Hospital today owing to Covid-related issues. She is stable and will be kept at the hospital for observation," Surjewala wrote on Twitter.

"We thank all the Congress men and women as also all well-wishers for their concern and good wishes," he added.

The Congress president tested positive for Covid-19 on June 2 and was recuperating. She was to appear before the Enforcement Directorate (ED) on June 8 and had sought more time from the probe agency, which has now issued a fresh summons for her to appear on June 23. The ED has registered an FIR in a money-laundering case pertaining to the National Herald-AJL case.

Meanwhile, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee extended her wishes for the recovery of Sonia Gandhi on Twitter.

2 jawans missing in Arunachal for 15 days

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

TWO Indian Army soldiers have been missing for 15 days from their location of deployment in Arunachal Pradesh in the Eastern Sector of the Line of Actual Control.

As per the Army, "Naik Prakash Singh and Lance Naik Harender Singh, deployed in a forward post of Arunachal Pradesh, are presumed to have accidentally fallen into a fast-flowing river in close proximity to their post".

Spokesperson Colonel Amrinder Walia on Sunday said search and rescue operations have been continuing since the day of incident. "Intensive search operations have been ongoing for two Indian Army personnel, deployed in forward areas of Anjaw district in Arunachal since May 28."

A court of inquiry to investigate the incident has been convened by the Army. Despite immediate and extensive search and rescue operations, including aerial reconnaissance and tracker dogs being pressed into action, no success in recovery of the personnel has been achieved. The search operations are continuing for the last two weeks.

Family members of the two soldiers, who belong to Uttarakhand, have been informed of the unfortunate incident and are being regularly updated, said the Army. Sources said the two soldiers belong to the same unit of the Garhwal Regiment. The area of incident is much inside the LAC.

BJP on firefighting mode eyeing upcoming polls

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

AMID protests across the country and outrage from Islamic nations over the controversial statements against Prophet Mohammed by now-suspended BJP leaders, the saffron camp is trying to douse the flames well ahead of the upcoming Assembly polls in six states.

"There is no denying that the controversy has created a tough time for us. The party has already made its stand clear. We stand for equal respect to all religions," a senior BJP leader said, adding that punitive action taken by the party against the functionaries has proven this.

Sources said senior party leaders are concerned over the controversy refusing to die down at a time Assembly elections are due in six states including the PM's home state Gujaraat, Karnataka Himachal Pradesh.

"Think tanks of the party are working to chalk out an effective way to get out of the wave of controversies amicably. The party has already distanced itself from those who had made such a controversial statement," said a source, who holds senior position in the party.

It is believed that the party will highlight the Central government's various schemes for the welfare of Muslims and may promote a prominent Muslim face to a higher level within the organisation to send out a message to the community.

The sources also said Muslim leaders of the party have also been asked to try to clear the party's position on the issue and work for ending the controversy.

A reliable source in the saffron party alleged that some elements from the Opposition side are "adding fuel to the fire" to make political mileage but the people belonging to the minority community are wise enough to understand the hidden agenda of these parties.

Maldives launches pro-India campaign on social media

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

THE Maldivian Democratic Party (MDP) has initiated a social media campaign in favour of India in a bid to counter the 'India Out' campaign in the country.

The campaign, called 'Baakeenuvey' is "a call to action to not break ties with India," Maldivian Speaker Mohamed Nasheedis said. "The low number of participants in the India Out campaign is proof that it is not supported by Maldivians," he added.

Nasheed had sometime back stated that Chinese projects in Maldives had left the government with a debt burden, and that accepting the Belt and Road Initiative was a mistake.

Meanwhile, the Maldivian government has expressed its gratitude to India for its donations of Covid vaccines, the medical treatment that Maldivians get here, and the many projects being carried out under the Line of Credit support.

"India has become a core election issue in Maldives, which goes to polls next year. The ruling party has expressed its solidarity with India while the Opposition, led by Abdulla Yameen of the Progressive Party of Maldives (PPM), who is a supporter of China, has initiated the India Out campaign. India is a long-standing traditional ally for Maldives," said a political analyst from Male.

LOOK EAST

RAJNATH SINGH'S MISSION TO REASSURE VIETNAM

Defense minister Rajnath Singh's three-day Vietnam trip has strengthened ties between the two countries. The Vietnam government had been waiting to receive the US$ 500-million line of credit promised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his 2016 trip to the southeast Asian country. One of the purposes of Rajnath's trip, according to sources, was to assure Vietnam that in spite of the delay in disbursal, India was committed to fully honouring its promise of extending the line of credit. On the day Rajnath reached Hanoi, a press note was issued by the Indian Ministry of Defence which said that the two "ministers also agreed for early finalisation of US$ 500 million defence line of credit extended to Vietnam". It is good to recall the "rich history of civilizational and cultural linkages spanning over 2,000 years" between the two countries as the press release notes. But honouring promises made in the present would go a long way in cementing ties between the two friends. Rajnath's trip is a step in that direction. The US$500 million defence line of credit being extended by India will reportedly be used by Vietnam for acquiring BrahMos missile coastal batteries and four to six offshore patrol vessels from India. This purchase is likely to cover about half of the credit line. India would do well to keep Vietnam engaged. China's growing interest in Laos and Cambodia and the United States' deepening strategic ties with Vietnam, makes it imperative for India to deepen ties with Hanoi.

CORPORATE TIES

MUKESH'S NIECE TO MARRY LN MITTAL'S NEPHEW ON JULY 7

The extended Ambani family will travel to London for a July 7 wedding of Ishita Salgaocar, daughter of Asia's richest businessman Mukesh Ambani's sister Dipti, who is married to leading businessman of Goa Dattaraj Salgaocar. Ishita is marrying Amulya Mittal, son of steel tycoon Laxmi Niwas Mittal's brother Vimal Mittal. A pre-wedding dinner for the young couple was held at the Taj hotel in Mumbai last month. This is Ishita's second marriage. She was earlier married to the son of fugitive diamond merchant Nirav Modi's brother Neeshal Modi. Meanwhile, Mukesh Ambani's second son Anant is all set to marry Radhika Merchant, who hit the limelight with her Arangetram, the graduation ceremony in the classical Indian dance form Bharatnatyam. The high-profile event was hosted by the Ambanis at the Jio World Centre on June 5 in Mumbai. Radhika is the daughter of Viren and Shaila Merchant. Viren is the CEO of Encore Healthcare.

PM to village heads: Observe Yoga Day near ponds

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi has urged the elected *sarpanchs* (village heads) to select a pond or any ancient tourist place in their respective villages and observe the International Yoga Day on June 21. The PM, through a letter written to all these village heads across the country, has also requested to share the pictures of practicing the Yoga from their respective villages to encourage other people to go for the yoga.

The PM has also encouraged them to make sufficient efforts in spreading the government welfare schemes, promoting water conservation and promoting the yoga across their areas. In the letter, written on the completion of eight years of the Modi government at the Centre, the PM has highlighted several issues on which he had sought the support of *sarpanchs*, acknowledging and appreciating their contributions done for the government and developments in the last eight years.

He asked them to work to make the eighth International Yoga Day, which falls on June 21, special and to encourage everyone in their village to join the exercise. "The people across the world observe the International Yoga Day enthusiastically and keep sharing pictures of practicing the yoga from different places, from skies to the Himalayas and sea, in the preceding years have made Indians proud," the PM has mentioned in the letter.

He has also stated that the "Yoga for Humanity" is the theme of the upcoming International Yoga Day. He has categorically mentioned that the outbreak of the pandemic had made people understand the importance of yoga.

Now, practise yoga on running train

More than 450 book first trip

More than 450 pilgrims have booked tickets for the train's maiden journey. The train will pass through 12 sites of Ramayan circuit in various states in India apart from Nepal. Railway PSU IRCTC is tasked with running the train and it will display the coaches this week

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

YOGA on a running train! Yes, in a first-of-its-kind initiative, the Indian Railways has made room for practicing various *asanas* of yoga inside country's first cross-border Bharat Gaurav train.

The first Bharat Gaurav train with the facility will start operation from Delhi's Safdarganj station on June 21. The train will have 10 specially decorated coaches and two AC coaches among them will be dedicated for conducting yoga sessions for pilgrims. The train will also have onboard yoga instructors.

The train will carry pilgrims to different religious sites associated with the lives of Lord Ram and Sita located in India and Nepal.

"Starting on its maiden journey with the pilgrims from Safdarjung railway station on June 21, on the occasion of International Yoga Day, the first cross-border Bharat Gaurav train will reach Nepal-based sites related to Ramayana," said a source in the railways.

The yoga spaces in the train have been created in such a way that pilgrims won't face any difficulties while performing the asanas.

IRCTC, which runs the train, has fixed the ticket price at ₹65,000 per head.

GUJARAT RESHUFFLE

AAP jumbo list aims at head-on fight with BJP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi/Ahmedabad

EYING a head-on electoral contest with the ruling BJP in Gujarat, the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) on Sunday announced a massive list of its new office-bearers in the restructured unit in the state. A total of 850 AAP members have found a place in the restructured organisation. Former TV journalist Isudan Gadhvi has been appointed party's national joint general secretary and Rajkot-based realtor and former Congress MLA Indranil Rajguru is now national general secretary.

Soon after the announcement, the AAP said it is ready for a direct fight with the ruling BJP in the Assembly elections due in December this year. During the AAP's recent 'parivartan yatra' and village-level meets, lakhs of people joined the party and more than 30,000 people took its active membership, AAP's Gujarat in-charge Sandeep Pathak said while talking to reporters in Gujarat.

The party had on Wednesday dissolved the local unit to restructure the organisation. It has appointed Kishor Desai as the state president (frontal organisation), Manoj Sorathiya as state general secretary, and Kailash Gadhvi as treasurer. The AAP has also appointed presidents and vice presidents of various wings, secretaries, joint secretaries at the state level, Lok Sabha and district pramukhs, and Vidhan Sabha sangathan mantris, according to the list.

"As we speak, our organisation at the village level is also ready, and we have already put in place an 11-member team in each village," Pathak said, adding that the Gujarat AAP unit is now capable of challenging any party with the best organisational capability in the state.

Child labour: Rights body for massive rescue

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AS scrap and automobile markets are found to be employing children on a large scale in the country, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) will be carrying out rescue operations in 75 places in 46 districts in 18 states.

The rescue operations will be conducted from June 12 to June 20 as part of the elimination of child labour week to observe World Day Against Child Labour. These 75 places have been identified, and child labourers will be rescued and rehabilitated, according to NCPCR Chairperson Priyank Kanoongo.

He said they are focusing on the problem of child labour and trying to find ways to eradicate it. He said the 75 places were selected as part of the 75th anniversary celebrations of India's independence – Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

According to Census of India, 2011, there are 10.1 million working children between the age of 5-14 years either as main worker or as marginal worker.

TIMBER FOR J&K'S HOUSEBOAT

Jammu and Kashmir administration will provide subsidised timber for repairs and maintenance of houseboats and taxi shikaras, an official said on Sunday. The decision was taken during a meeting with L-G Manoj Sinha.

4 KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENT IN PUNJAB

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	44	30	Mumbai	32	28
Bhopal	35	27	Panaji	29	26
Jaipur	38	32	Patna	38	28
Amritsar	44	31	Lucknow	44	32
Chennai	38	29	Port Blair	32	27
Kolkata	38	29	Imphal	29	22
Srinagar	32	13	Chandigarh	47	32

Rapid Action Force and police conduct a flag march to maintain law and order in Ranchi on Sunday | PTI

Ranchi crackdown: 25 FIRs against 2K persons

About 3,500 security personnel deputed across city, police say

MUKESH RANJAN @Ranchi

TAKING swift action against the violence that erupted during the protests in Ranchi on Friday, the police have registered 25 FIRs against 22 named and over 2,000 unknown persons. The situation is returning to normalcy and the district administration has withdrawn the prohibitory orders in the city, except for six police station areas adjoining the Main Road.

The police stations where prohibitory orders are still in force are Lower Bazar, Hindpiri, Daily Market, Kotwali, Chutia and Doranda. Meanwhile, video footage obtained from the media and CCTVs installed on the roads are being scanned to identify the protesters.

The violence took place when people were protesting against the controversial remarks made by BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma.

Senior Superintendent of Police Surendra Kumar Jha, who also sustained injuries during the incident, said those involved in the violence will be dealt with an iron hand.

Jha added that two persons died in the incident while several others sustained bullet injuries. As many as 25 FIRs have been lodged against 22 named and over 2,000 unknown persons, he added during the joint press conference held with Deputy Commissioner Chhavi Ranjan.

However, no arrests have been made so far.

Jha emphasised that it was because of the preparatory measures taken by the security forces that the intentions of anti-social elements to disturb harmony could be foiled.

About 3,500 security personnel have been deputed across the city, and 38 pockets have been identified as vulnerable, while 50 bike squads are keeping an eye on sensitive areas Ranjan also said Section 144 has been withdrawn from six of the 12 police station areas.

Meanwhile, sources in the police department said trouble-makers had come from Saharanpur in Uttar Pradesh, and the stones used for attacks on the police were brought from railway tracks.

The Jharkhand Janadhikar Mahasabha said the incidents have brought to light failure of the state machinery and the intelligence system.

Two arrested in Delhi over Friday protests at Jama Masjid

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

TWO men were arrested for allegedly disrupting communal harmony and holding a protest without permission in the Jama Masjid area of Delhi last week against the controversial remarks on Prophet Mohammad made by now-sacked BJP functionaries, police said on Sunday.

Recordings of footages from CCTV and mobile phone cameras are being scanned to identify more culprits, the police said. Mohd Nadeem Zaid (45), a resident of the Jama Masjid area, and Mohd Faheem Khan (37), a resident of the Turkman Gate area, were arrested on Saturday night. While Zaid is a vendor, Khan works as an electrician. The two have no previous criminal record, the police added.

Protests erupted outside the Jama Masjid in the national capital on June 10, with hundreds of people demanding the arrest of suspended BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (Central) Shweta Chauhan said, "On June 10, an FIR was registered at Jama Masjid police station against the protesters under Section 188 (disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant) of the IPC as a protest was held without permission. After Friday prayers, Zaid held a poster in his hands. Both Zaid and Khan raised slogans during the unlawful assembly at Jama Masjid."

Efforts are on to identify others who were involved, Chauhan said.

PROPHET ROW

J&K BJP chief recites Islamic verse on harmony

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

AFTER the controversial remarks on Prophet Muhammad by now suspended BJP leaders, Jammu and Kashmir BJP chief Ravindra Raina on Sunday recited Islamic verse of Prophet Muhammad about respecting religions, and said some mischievous persons want to disturb peace by poisoning the society.

Addressing a rally of party workers at the border district of Rajouri on the occasion of joining of the saffron party by Congress leader Mohammad Qayoom Mir, Raina said this country belongs to all. "It belongs to Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs and Christians. It belongs to every Indian," he said.

The Hindus and Muslims, he said, gave sacrifices for the freedom of the country. "If Chander Shekhar Azad, Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev, Rajguru, Jhansi Ki Rani, Lal Rajpat Rai sacrificed their lives for freedom of India, then Bahadur Shah Zafar and Ashfaqulla Khan and others also gave their lives for Independence. It was due to their sacrifices that India got freedom".

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> Ravindra Raina, BJP

Indirectly referring to the recent controversial remarks by BJP leaders Nupur Sharma and Navin Jindal, Raina said, "Every person should respect every religion. Every religion teaches giving respect and honour to others". Talking about Prophet Muhammad, he recited an Islamic verse about respecting religions, which says, "To you be your religion, and to me my religion".

Later, talking to reporters, Raina said some mischievous persons want to disturb peace and communal harmony by poisoning the society.

"No religion preaches hatred. Every religion preaches and teaches humanity, love compassion. We all should live in communal harmony and respect one another".

He said nobody, whether Hindu, Muslim, Christian or Sikh, should spread hatred or do things which bring bad name to the country.

Raina's statement comes after Friday's protests in several parts of the country against the controversial and derogatory remarks on Prophet Muhammad.

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Undergrad entrance: PU yet to take decision

The Presidency University has yet to decide whether it would admit undergraduate aspirants through admission tests or on the basis of Plus-II marks. The education department has already resolved to keep the institution outside the ambit of a centralised online admission mechanism. The university has not yet approached the state joint entrance examination (JEE) board that has been conducting entrances tests on its behalf since 2015. The university is also yet to hold a meeting of its admission committee. Students have started an indefinite agitation on the campus seeking introduction of admission tests.

President Police Medal for S-E Railway top cop

Devendranath B Kasar, the Inspector General (IG) and principal chief security commissioner of South Eastern Railway, received prestigious President's Police Medal (PPM) for 2020 from Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav for his distinguished service. Earlier, Kasar got the Indian Police Model (IPM) while working in the railway. During his tenure, Operation River Flow was launched in 2011-12 under which four teams worked in Naxal-affected forest area and collected data of thousands of passengers to understand their requirements and helped in forging good bonding between local population and the railway administration.

Call for customs check for intl flights in city

Passengers from Kolkata booked on connecting international flights from other Indian cities should be allowed to clear immigration and customs checks in Kolkata, the airport's advisory committee will write to the Ministry of Civil Aviation. Kolkata doesn't have any direct flight to Europe, the US and many other countries. So passengers from Kolkata flying to these destinations either fly to another Indian city such as Delhi and Mumbai and from there take a connecting flight or fly directly through international airports such as Dubai and Doha. "I will write to the civil aviation minister requesting them to allow passengers taking domestic flights from Kolkata and then connecting international flights from other cities to have their immigration and customs clearance in Kolkata," said Saugata Roy, TMC MP and chairman of the airport advisory committee.

INTERNAL STRIFE

Cross-voting stirs talk of BJP rift in Rajasthan

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE turmoil over the Rajya Sabha elections refuses to die in Rajasthan. A controversy has now erupted involving BJP MLA Shobharani Kushwaha, who voted for Congress candidate Pramod Tiwari. Shobharani's cross-voting has prompted leaders from within as well as outside the BJP to raise questions. The MLA is adopting a defiant tone after being suspended from the party.

Many are linking Shobharani's revolt to the Vasundhara Raje camp. The Rashtriya Loktantrik Party (RLP), which supported the BJP-backed Independent candidate, Subhash Chandra, has already targeted Raje, while Congress leader Sachin Pilot has also questioned her silence on the issue. Chandra was defeated in the election.

Shobharani claims that a conspiracy is being hatched to oust her from the BJP. After she violated the party whip by voting for Tiwari, she has been served a notice by the BJP to reply within seven days.

Shobharani wrote on social media that the promptness shown by the BJP in suspending her is "strange". Referring to the Dholpur Municipal Council chairman election, she said, "We had enough numbers to win, but national BJP leaders enabled Congress to make a chairman. This information was given from Jaipur to Delhi, but they were far from being suspended. If they aren't even given a notice, who would want to work in such a party?"

Speaking about her link with Raje, a BJP leader said, "When the Ashok Gehlot government was in crisis, Shobharani was standing behind the scenes with Congress. She has been in touch with people close to Gehlot."

RLP chief Hanuman Beniwal also said the *gathbandhan* between Raje and Ashok has led to the cross-voting.

Raje has not reacted to the allegations, but leaders of her camp have refuted them.

Attacking the BJP, Pilot said, "There is a rift in BJP. Vasundhara Raje did not give any statement. They didn't even condemn it (cross-voting). The BJP is exposed."

Blame game begins in MVA after Rajya Sabha loss

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

AFTER the loss of ruling Shiv Sena's second candidate in the Rajya Sabha elections, the blame game has begun. While Sena leader Sanjay Raut blamed the use of Enforcement Directorate (ED) and money power by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), minister of state in Uddhav Thackeray cabinet, Bacchu Kadu, said that it was "miscalculations" of Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) partners in assigning required qualifying votes that worked in favour of BJP candidate.

Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Raut on Sunday said that the BJP misused the central agencies to pressurise the smaller political parties and independent MLAs to vote the BJP nominees in Rajya Sabha elections. He said three MLAs of Bahujan Vikas Aghadi led by MLA Hitendra Thakur and five independent MLAs caused the defeat of Sena candidate Sanjay Pawar against BJP nominee Dhananjay Mahadik.

In the first round of Rajya Sabha elections, Pawar secured 33 votes while Mahadik got 25 votes but in the second round Mahadik completed the 41 votes quota while Pawar got total 39 votes. BJP won all three seats while Congress, NCP and Shiv Sena won each one seat in Rajya Sabha elections.

Bacchu Kadu saw the defeat of Sena candidate in awry arithmetic. He said, "The Shiv Sena gave only 41 votes as per requirements to win the elections. On the other hand, Congress gave 44 votes to its candidate, while NCP gave 43 votes. These additional votes against the requirements of 41 votes for each candidate are one of the reasons behind the loss of Sanjay Pawar. The Congress and NCP gave additional votes to their respective candidates. It is true that some independent MLAs were bought but not all of them," Kadu said.

BAGHEL, RAMAN SPAR AS FIR NAMES FORMER BABU

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AN FIR against former IAS officer-turned-politician OP Choudhary has led to a strong exchange of words between Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel and his predecessor, Raman Singh.

Choudhary had shared an alleged fake video of 'coal theft' from an opencast mine in Korba on Twitter, following which the police registered a case against him. Complainant Madhusudan Yadav had claimed that Choudhary had posted the video to gain popularity.

Choudhary, who is now the BJP state secretary, had also added in his post that hundreds of labourers and vehicles were engaged in theft from the Gevra mine. He said he is ready to face any punishment for raising issues of public interest.

Singh, who is the BJP national vice-president, said, "When OP Choudhary exposed the sloppy administration he was slapped with non-bailable charges. We will not tolerate such dictatorship."

However, Baghel slammed the BJP for "attempting to protect" Choudhary.

Post RS victory, upbeat BJP targets BMC elections next

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

THE victory of the BJP in the recent Rajya Sabha elections against Shiv Sena has boosted the moral of its cadre ahead of the high-stake Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) elections scheduled to take place at the end of this year.

BMC has been ruled by the Shiv Sena for over 25 years with the support of BJP, and now independently. In 2017, for the first time, BJP won 82 seats against the 85 seats of the Shiv Sena in the 227-member body.

Now, former chief Devendra Fadnavis has said that BJP's victory in Rajya Sabha poll is the beginning. "BJP will contest on its own the Assembly and other elections," he said.

BJP leader Ashish Shelar, incharge of BJP's BMC polls, said besides BMC, there are 10 urban local body elections where BJP's performance will be better than others.

However, Shiv Sena has been also working on its strategy. "It increased the civic wards from 227 to 236. Most wards are dominated by Marathi supporters. It will help Shiv Sena," a political observer said.

Govt team to visit Arunachal to select heritage monuments for ASI list

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

WITH an aim to establish Arunachal Pradesh prominently on the heritage map of India, a team of officials will visit the state to identify ancient structures that deserve a place on the list of protected monuments of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).

Bhishmaknagar ruins

At least 50 recorded prominent heritage sites of the medieval period exist in Arunachal, but only three of them are on the ASI's list. Now, a team of officials of the National Monument Authority, including its chairman Tarun Vijay, will visit the state to select sites dating from 9-12th century to 15-17th century.

During the visit starting on June 14, the team will meet tribal leaders to find places of indigenous faith which connect Arunachal to other parts of India through oral history. A report would then be submitted to the culture ministry and Prime Minister Narendra Modi, suggesting additions to the list that will strengthen national unity.

The centrally-protected sites in the state are Bhalukpong, Bhishmaknagar ruins, and remains of Tamresvari Temple in Lohit. The state-protected sites include remains of forts, temples and stupas at eight places while there are 37 unprotected sites.

"We will meet village and tribal elders. They have fascinating stories about the cultural connection with other parts of India," said Vijay.

KARBI ANGLONG

BJP sweeps Assam council polls, Congress draws blank

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE BJP has swept the Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC) elections by winning all 26 seats.

The KAAC is made up of 30 members but as four are nominated, elections were held in 26 seats on June 8. Both Congress and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), which is trying to make inroads into the state, drew a blank.

The BJP had won 24 seats in the last KAAC elections. "The Congress not only scored zero but it also failed to put up a contest. We won by a bigger margin of votes in most seats compared to the last time," BJP leader and minister Pijush Hazarika said. "We admit the AAP is rising but it is not a cause of concern for us. The AAP ate into Congress' votes."

The Congress tried to put up a brave face. "We did not expect much. It is common that the ruling party wins the local elections," state Congress chief Bhupen Kumar Borah said.

The Congress in Assam is a divided house with party stalwarts leading their own faction.

Three die at overcrowded festival venue in Bengal

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

THREE persons, including two women, died and several others fell ill after a stampede-like situation emerged due to extreme heat and humidity during a religious festival at Panihati in North 24-Paraganas on Sunday. The devotees complained of mismanagement. The authorities shut down the festival. The incident occurred at the annual Danda Mahotsav organised at the ISKCON temple.

At least 50 devotees were taken to the healthcare centres. "Three were brought dead to the hospital," said an official.

CM Mamata Banerjee tweeted to offer her condolences.

"This year the festival was held after two years due to the pandemic. We expected around 2.5 lakh people but the number was four-fold," said state minister Jyotipriya Mullick.

Eyewitnesses said there was a common passage for entry and exit. "There was no police presence," said Tapan Byapari, a devotee. A municipality official said 12 health camps were set up near the venue. Police Commissioner Manoj Verma said the incident took place mainly because of "extreme weather."

62 people lost their lives across Nepal in a range of natural disasters in the last two months, said home ministry

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	29	18	TDS	Los Angeles	25	16	LC
Colombo	30	26	LC	Melbourne	12	8	HR
Dhaka	35	28	TDS	Moscow	23	15	HR
Dubai	41	31	SNY	New York	30	20	LC
Houston	37	26	SNY	Singapore	30	26	TDS
Istanbul	25	18	LC	Toronto	21	15	LC
London	22	11	LC	Washington	33	23	LC

Russia strikes depot in west, battle for Severodonetsk rages

Site stored large amounts of weapons supplied by United States and European countries; 22 people injured in attack at Chortkiv, says Ukrainian regional governor

KRAMATORSK

RUSSIAN forces said on Sunday they had struck a site in western Ukraine storing large amounts of weapons supplied by the United States and European countries, as the battle intensified for the key eastern city of Severodonetsk.

The strike on the town of Chortkiv, a rare attack by Russia in the relatively calm west of Ukraine, left 22 people injured, the regional governor said.

Meanwhile the situation in Severodonetsk was "extremely difficult", after the Russian army destroyed a second bridge into the city and was heavily bombarding the last one, regional governor Sergiy Gaiday said.

Ukraine's geopolitical vulnerability has been laid bare by Russia's February 24 invasion, which has killed thousands, sent millions fleeing and reduced swathes of the country to rubble.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said on Saturday that it was a "decisive time". "Russia wants to ruin European unity, wants to leave Europe divided and wants to leave it weak. The entirety of Europe is a target for Russia. Ukraine is only the first stage in this aggression," he said.The United States and EU have sent weapons and cash to help Ukraine fend off the Russian advance, alongside punishing Moscow with unprecedented economic sanctions.

Russia's defence ministry said the strike on Chortkiv destroyed a "large depot of anti-tank missile systems, portable air defence systems and shells provided to the Kyiv regime by the US and European countries".

Regional governor Volodymyr Trush said that four missiles fired from the Black Sea had partially destroyed a military installation in the town, about 140 kilometres (85 miles) from the border with Romania, on Saturday evening.

Residential buildings were also damaged and 22 people were hurt, all of them, including seven women and a 12-year-old, taken to hospital, he said in a Facebook post. *AFP*

Russian sappers demine the bay and beach of Mariupol on Sunday | AFP

End of an era as Russia's McDonald's reopens under new name

Moscow: The restaurant that launched McDonald's in Russia in 1990, heralding Moscow's opening after decades of Soviet rule, reopened on Sunday with a new name and logo in a potent reminder of the upheaval sparked by the conflict in Ukraine. The US fast-food giant announced on May 16 that it would exit Russia in the wake of its Ukraine offensive.

In Moscow's Pushkin Square on Sunday, dozens of people gathered outside the Russian incarnation of the fast-food restaurant, "Vkusno i tochka" ("Delicious. Full Stop"), well before the official opening. *AFP*

Cautiously optimistic, says WTO chief

Geneva: The World Trade Organisation chief voiced cautious optimism on Sunday as global trade ministers gather to tackle food security threatened by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, over fishing and equitable access to Covid vaccines. Speaking just hours before the opening of the WTO's first ministerial meeting in nearly five years, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala acknowledged that "the road will be bumpy and rocky." But she told journalists she was "cautiously optimistic that we'll get one or two deliverables". With its meeting, the WTO faces pressure to finally eke out long-sought trade deals and show unity amid the still raging pandemic and an impending global hunger crisis. Top of the agenda as the four-day meet kicks off is the toll Russia's war in Ukraine. *AFP*

Scariest moments of my life: Kyiv's teen hero

KYIV

AS Russian tanks and trucks rumbled close to their village, a Ukrainian teenager and his father stealthily launched their small drone into the air.

Working as a team, they took bird's-eye photos of the armoured column moving toward Kyiv and pinpointed its coordinates, swiftly messaging the precious information to the Ukrainian military. Within minutes, artillery batteries rained shells down on the invading forces, with deadly effect.

Andriy Pokrasa, 15, and his dad, Stanislav, are being hailed in Ukraine for their volunteer aerial reconnaissance work in the early days of the invasion, when Russian troops barrelling in from the north made an ultimately failed attempt to take the capital and bring the country to its knees.

For a full week after the Feb. 24 invasion, the pair made repeated sorties with their drone

Andriy Pokrasa, 15, lands his drone on his hand in Kyiv on Saturday | AP

' risking capture or worse had Russian troops been aware of their snooping. "These were some of the scariest moments of my life,' Andriy recounted as he demonstrated his piloting skills. 'We provided the photos and the location to the armed forces," he said. 'They narrowed down the coordinates more accurately and transmitted them by walkie-talkie, so as to adjust the artillery.' *AP*

Representational pic

Spain Catholics want Church to consider optional celibacy, women priests

MADRID

SPANISH Catholics want Rome to consider talks on the future of the priesthood including optional celibacy, the ordination of women and also of married men, a key document showed. The document was unveiled by the CEE Episcopal Conference that groups Spain's leading bishops at a 600-strong gathering in Madrid.

It was drawn up after months of consultation with more than 2,15,000 people, mostly lay people but also priests and bishops, with the proposals to be condensed into a final document that will be presented to next year's Bishops in Synod assembly at the Vatican.

In it, they stress "the need to discern in greater depth about the question of optional celibacy for priests and the ordination of married people; to a lesser extent, the issue of the ordination of women has also arisen," it said, while noting such issues were raised only in certain dioceses.

"There is a clear request that, as a Church, we hold dialogue about these issues... to be able to offer a more holistic approach to our society," it said.

It also stressed the need to "rethink the role of women in the Church" to give them "greater leadership and responsibility" notably in places "where decisions are made". There was also "a need for greater care" for those who have been divorced or remarried or with an alternative sexual orientation. "We feel that, as a Church... we must welcome and accompany each person in their specific situation," it said.

The document was unveiled just months after lawmakers approved Spain's first official probe into child sex abuse within the Catholic Church through an expert independent committee. The Church itself took its first steps towards addressing alleged abuse by clergy by engaging lawyers to conduct a year-long probe that will take cues from similar probes in France and Germany. *AFP*

Lanka would be compelled to buy more oil from Russia: PM

COLOMBO

SRI Lanka may be compelled to buy more oil from Russia as the island nation hunts desperately for fuel amid an unprecedented economic crisis, the newly appointed prime minister said. Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe said he would first look to other sources, but would be open to buying more crude from Moscow. Western nations largely have cut off energy imports from Russia in line with sanctions over its war on Ukraine.

Wickremesinghe also indicated he would be willing to accept more financial help from China, despite his country's mounting debt. And while he acknowledged that Sri Lanka's current predicament is of 'its own making,' he said the war in Ukraine is making it even worse ' and that dire food shortages could continue until 2024. He said Russia had also offered wheat to Sri Lanka. Appointed by President Gotabaya Rajapaksa to resolve an economic crisis that has nearly emptied the country's foreign exchange reserves, Wickremesinghe was sworn in after days of violent protests last month forced his predecessor, Mahinda Rajapaksa, to step down and seek safety from angry crowds at a naval base. Sri Lanka has amassed $51 billion in foreign debt, but has suspended repayment of nearly $7 billion due this year. The crushing debt has left the country with no money for basic imports, which means citizens are struggling to access basic necessities such as food, fuel, medicine ' even toilet paper and matches. The shortages have spawned rolling power outages, and people have been forced to wait days for cooking gas and gasoline in lines that stretch for kilometers. Two weeks ago, the country bought a 90,000-metric-tonne (99,000-tonne) shipment of Russian crude to restart its only refinery, the energy minister told reporters.

Wickremesinghe did not comment directly on those reports, and said he did not know whether more orders were in the pipeline. But he said Sri Lanka desperately needs fuel, and is currently trying to get oil and coal from the country's traditional suppliers in the Middle East. *AP*

People wait in a queue at a fuel station hoping to buy kerosene in Colombo | AP

COLOMBO ANNOUNCES WEEKLY FUEL QUOTAS

Colombo: Crisis-hit Sri Lanka announced weekly fuel quotas for motorists on Sunday, as an acute shortage worsened and longer queues formed outside the few pumping stations still operating. Energy minister Kanchana Wijesekera said the state-run Ceylon Petroleum Corporation was struggling to finance oil imports, while consumption had shot up due to shortages of electricity and liquefied petroleum gas. "We have no choice but to register consumers at filling stations and give them a guaranteed weekly quota until we are able to strengthen the financial situation," the minister said. *AFP*

Prez Macron's alliance to top parliament poll

PARIS

FRENCH President Emmanuel Macron's centrist alliance was on track to win the largest number of seats in parliament after the first round of voting on Sunday, projections from polling firms showed, though it remains unclear if it will obtain a majority.

His Ensemble (Together) alliance was projected by four firms to win between 225 and 310 seats in the second round of voting on June 19, with a new leftwing coalition finishing second, for a projected 150 to 220 seats.

Macron would need to secure at least 289 of the National Assembly's 577 seats to have a majority for pushing through legislation during his second five-year term.

Both groups scored around 25-26 per cent of the popular vote that saw fewer than half of registered voters cast a ballot, resulting in record-low turnout projected at 52-53 percent.

The far-right National Rally headed by Marine Le Pen, who lost to Macron in the presidential vote in April, got an estimated 19 percent of the vote, which could result in 10 to 45 seats, according to the projections.

Voters shunned the first round of parliamentary elections in record numbers on Sunday. *AFP*

GUN VIOLENCE: SENATORS ANNOUNCE LIMITED DEAL

WASHINGTON

A BIPARTISAN group of US senators on Sunday proposed steps to curb gun violence following devastating mass shootings in Texas and New York, but the limited measures fall far short of the president's calls for change.

The shootings in May — one at a Texas elementary school that killed 19 young children and two teachers, and another at a New York supermarket that left 10 Black people dead — have piled pressure on politicians to take action.

But Republicans lawmakers, who have repeatedly blocked tougher measures, are still resisting major changes to gun regulations, instead pointing to mental health issues as the root of the problem. The new proposals include tougher background checks for gun buyers under 21, increasing resources for states to keep weapons out of the hands of people deemed a risk, and cracking down on illegal gun purchases.

"Today, we are announcing a commonsense, bipartisan proposal to protect America's children, keep our schools safe, and reduce the threat of violence across our country," the group of 20 Democratic and Republican lawmakers said in a statement. "Our plan increases needed mental health resources, improves school safety and support for students, and helps ensure dangerous criminals and those who are adjudicated as mentally ill can't purchase weapons."

President Joe Biden praised the announcement and urged lawmakers to pass it quickly, while making clear that the proposals do not go far enough. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Thousands of sheep drown as ship sinks

Khartoum: An overladen ship crammed with thousands of sheep sank on Sunday in Sudan's Red Sea port of Suakin drowning most animals on board but with all crew surviving, port officials said. The livestock vessel was exporting the animals from Sudan to Saudi Arabia when it sank. "It was carrying 15,800 sheep, while it was supposed to carry only 9,000 sheeps." said an official. *AFP*

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OPPORTUNITY DOES NOT KNOCK, IT PRESENTS ITSELF WHEN YOU BEAT DOWN THE DOOR

KYLE CHANDLER

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IN THE COURT OF THE II ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT BENGALURU

O.S. No. 126 / 2015

Between: Sri Pillappa, Since dead by his L.Rs. Sri. Doddaraju & others ...**Plaintiffs**

And: Smt. Lakshmamma & other ...**Defendants**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO. 4 UNDER ORDER V RULE 10 (1-A) OF C.P.C.

4. Sri. Vijay, S/o Muniyellappa, Aged about 41 years, R/at. Haralakunte Village, Bommanahalli Post, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk.

WHEREAS, the Plaintiffs have filed the above suit against you and others for Declaration and possession, in respect of registered sale deed dated 06.10.2005 registered as document No. BAS-01-08500/2005-06, over the suit schedule property. You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court either in person or through a Pleader **on the 1st day of August 2022 at 11.00 A.M.** to defend the above case, failing which the matter will be heard and decided in your absence.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing Old Sy.No.44/11, New No.44/11, 44/26, 44/27, measuring 1 acre 13 guntas, situated at Vittasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, and bounded on the East by: Road & Government Road, West by : Land belongs to Nallathimmaiah & Private land, North by: Oni and South by : Oni.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 10.06.2022 at Bangalore.

By Order of the Court, Sheristedar, PRL. Civil Judge's Court, Bangalore (R) Dist, Bangalore.

Address of the Plaintiff:
Sreenivasamurthy .H.N, Advocate
No. 103, ARKA Residency, Doddathoguru, Electronics City Post, Bengalauru - 560 100. Mob: 9980406839

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client is intending to purchase the Land in Sy No.43/2 of Pattandur Agrahara Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore measuring 1 acre 6 guntas and Karab 3 guntas in total 1 acre 9 guntas described as the Schedule Property from **Mr.F.D.Williams,** aged about 89 years son of Mr.Franklin David, residing at No.43/2, Whitefield Main Road, Bangalore.

The Public is hereby informed that if anybody have any objections for the above said Sale, they may file their objections along with the related documents to the under signed **within a Week** from the date of this publication. If no objections have been received within the above time, my Client will proceed to Purchase the Schedule Property as nobody have any objections.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Land in **Sy No.43/2** of **Pattandur Agrahara Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** Bangalore measuring 1 acre 6 guntas and Karab 3 guntas in total 1 acre 9 guntas, Bounded on the :

East by : **Land belongs to F.M.Nikar and H.J.Luksha**
West by : **Road**
North by : **Land belongs to F.M.Nikar and H.J.Luksha**
South by : **Private Land**

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/ Time & Type of Possession
1	47469430000029	1) Mr. Veeraswamy V, 2) Mrs. Anitha V, 3) Mrs. Yashodha G.	17.01.2022 Rs.10,96,422/- as on 07.12.2021	08.06.2022 2.15.P.M Symbolic Possession
	Mortgaged Immovable Property: Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Municipal No.1, Situated in Sy.No.122/3, L.I.C. Colony, Yeshwanthapura, Bangalore Present B.M.P. No.1. L.I.C. Colony, B.M.P. Ward No.3, Bangalore. Measuring East to West 84.5 feet and North to South 60 feet, totally Area 5070 Square feet, and **bounded as follows: East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.15 & 16, **North by:** Site No.2, **South by:** Private Property. **Schedule B Property:** 1/12TH Undivided share, right, title and interest together with proportionate interest over the common areas with undivided right and interest works out lo 422.5 sq.ft undivided land in property bearing BMP No.1./09, LIC colony, BMP ward no.03, Bangalore. **Schedule C Property:** The Residential Flat no.202 in Second floor in the building Property no.01, situated at LIC Colony, Yeshwanthpur, Bruhath Bangalore MahanagaraPalike old ward no.03, new ward no.37, as per property bearing Municipal no.1/09 (PID.NO.3-114-1/09) (old no.202), situated at LIC colony, Yeshwanthpur, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike ward no.03, along with 630 sq.ft of sBA of RCC roofing, consisting of 2 Bed rooms Apartment of cement Blocks together with one car parking in the Basement floor.			
2	45359420000912 & 45359430000849	1) Mr. Venkatesh S R, 2) Ms. Vijayalakshmi R	05.01.2022 Rs.34,82,153.87 & Rs.2,83,981.00 as on 23.12.2021	09.06.2022 05.55.P.M Symbolic Possession
	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All the piece and parcel of the property bearing site nos.37 & 40, curved out of Sy.No.21/2, situated at JP Nagar 8th Phase Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk. Formerly No.37 & 40 Khatha No.798, situated at Vaddarapalya Grama, Uttarahalli Hobli, Banglore South Taluk, measuring 2400 sq.feet. and **bounde on the: East by:** Site no.36 & 41, **West by:** Site No.38 & 39, **North by:** (Old Road) presently private property, **South by:** Road. **Schedule B Property:** Undivided share of land conveyed under this Sale Deed 242.55 sq.feet of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the schedule "A"Property.			

Whereas, the Borrower's/ Co-borrowers'/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby is given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore	**Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 11.06.2022	**For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)

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₹14,000 cr Foreign Portfolio Investors have pulled out from the markets in June so far, as per depositories data

Questions aplenty as RBI allows linking of credit cards with UPI

UPI currently facilitates transactions by linking users' debit cards with savings or current accounts; New move will see upsurge in UPI & credit card transactions

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

DIGITAL payments companies are upbeat on the recent announcement by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) about linking credit cards with the Unified Payments Interface (UPI). As digital payments are increasing, and with growing popularity of UPI, many companies are now leveraging the technology. Also, many new players are launching their UPI services to make transactions simple.

Till now, UPI facilitates transactions by linking users' debit cards with savings or current accounts. This new move will see an upsurge in not only UPI transactions but also that of credit cards.

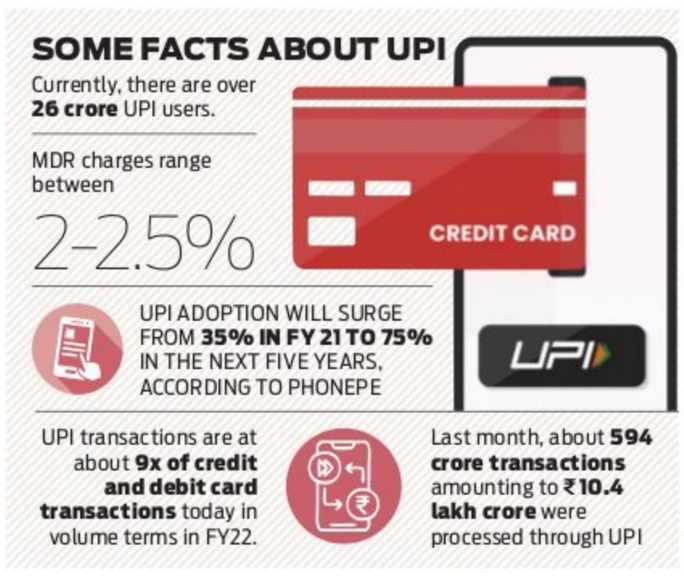
At present, there are over 26 crore users and 5 crore merchants on the UPI platform.

In May 2022 alone, about 594 crore transactions amounting to ₹10.4 lakh crore were processed through UPI, according to the RBI. The central bank also said that to begin with, the RuPay credit cards will be linked with the UPI platform.

"UPI has enabled small and medium merchant segments with lower cost, faster turn around and better collection mechanism. Credit was the much-needed missing element in making this complete. We expect this to add an additional 15-20% growth on UPI volumes. This will further disrupt the payment gateway and point of sale (PoS) led business models in the payments sector," Jaikrishnan G, Partner & Head of Financial Services Consulting, Grant Thornton Bharat said.

Experts believe that credit card linking on UPI platform will accelerate the country's transition into a cashless economy. A new report by digital payments major PhonePe and Boston Consulting Group (BCG) says that the value of digital payments will jump three-fold from the present $3 trillion to $10 trillion by 2026, and digital payments will constitute nearly 65% of all payments in another four years. Also, of every three payment transactions, two will be non-cash or digital by 2026, the report added.

While the move could have far reaching effects on taking cashless transactions to a new level, users, should, however be aware of charges and other unanswered questions. They should also be wary of debt traps as convenience of use can lead to overspending.


SOME FACTS ABOUT UPI
Currently, there are over 26 crore UPI users.
MDR charges range between
2-2.5%
UPI transactions are at about 9x of credit and debit card transactions today in volume terms in FY22.
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UPI ADOPTION WILL SURGE FROM 35% IN FY 21 TO 75% IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, ACCORDING TO PHONEPE
Last month, about 594 crore transactions amounting to ₹10.4 lakh crore were processed through UPI

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON MDR

Though there are many advantages, at the same time, many questions are also being raised on credit card charges and merchant discount rates (MDR). At a press briefing, when asked about pricing, RBI deputy governor T Rabi Sankar said, "How the pricing will work out, that we will have to see as we go forward." Currently, merchants are not charged for using UPI, but in case of credit cards, MDR charges are applicable. This means, for every credit card transaction, merchants pay banks a certain amount.

"Since there is no MDR charged to merchants for UPI payments, there is an open question of how will the credit card issuers cover their cost of capital and how will the underlying infrastructure support this," asked Deepti Sanghi, Co-Founder and CEO, Kodo, a fintech start-up.

If this takes off, we would have 10x merchants accepting credit cards in India in a few years, said Shashank Kumar, CTO & Co-founder, Razorpay.

In a series of tweets, Shashank Kumar also said that merchants will need to consent to accept credit cards via UPI and bear the MDR especially in the in-store offline world. "That's not going to be simple given many merchants have got used to accepting UPI payments at zero cost."

Also, how quickly can banks operationalise this and keep the momentum going? With changes on recurring, tokenisation and now UPI, banks have been catching up with compliances and changes on various fronts and this will become one more thing to take care of, he added. Apart from th ese, there are also a few questions on whether cards on UPI will work on top of the existing card rails or skip them and also how soon MasterCard and Visa will come on-board, as the RBI said to begin with RuPay credit cards will be linked to the UPI platform.

Pranjal Kamra, CEO, Finology Ventures, says this credit card link will allow users to make UPI payments using the benefit of a 30-day interest-free credit, in case there isn't enough balance in the bank account.

According to Kotak Institutional Equities, a fresh agreement with 181 million UPI QR codes through the network provider implies that there could be pushback if the flow moves more towards credit over traditional UPI. Analysts also say that there are already Bharat QR codes that accept all formats of payments but utilisation is low.

Downside pressure to continue this week amid global inflation

RAM SAHGAL @ MUMBAI

NIFTY and Sensex could gap down by at least 1% at opening on Monday and remain under pressure, with the SGX Nifty last closing at 16029.5, reflecting the overnight carnage on the Dow Jones and Nasdaq. The Nifty closed Friday at 16201.8 Friday. Downside pressure could continue during the week, with the impending US FOMC policy meeting on June 14-15, which will set the tone for markets globally.

The Dow closed down 2.5% or 880 points and the Nasdaq 3.5%, or 414 points, Friday after data showed US CPI inflation in May rose 50 bps more than expectations to 8.6%. This stoked fears among market participants that the US FOMC could raise an interest rate more aggressively when it meets this week.

50 bps
RBI raised the key repo rate by

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Worth of shares FIIs sold since Oct

The Nifty is likely to test the 16000 level on Monday itself. A closing below 16000 will set the stage for a test of the March low of 15671. On May 12 and May 19, the market came close to the March low level but bounced from 15736 and 15775 each. Market analysts expect the low of 15671 to be tested this week.

"The support of 16000 could become a resistance, going forward," said Hormuz Maloo, director of AFco Investments.

Rohit Srivastava, founder, IndiaCharts, expects Nifty to face downside pressure and eventually test 15000 in the current month.

RBI's monetary policy committee on May 8 raised the key repo rate by 50 bps to 4.9% and changed its stance to focus on withdrawal of accommodation from remaining accommodative. Global markets have been spooked by rising food and fuel inflation, exacerbated by the rise in Europe.

The fall in Indian markets from a record 18604.45 on October 19, last year to 16210.8 on June 10. Since October last year, FIIs have sold shares worth a whopping ₹2.19 lakh crore worth of Indian shares.

Domestic investor buying has partly absorbed the selling by FIIs so far, enabling Indian indices like Nifty and Sensex to be relative outperformers. While the Dow Jones, for instance, is down 15% from its record, the Nifty has corrected 12.9% and the Sensex by 12.75%.

However, analysts expect FII selling to intensify if the FOMC hikes rates more than anticipated or becomes more hawkish.

Meanwhile, retail investors stepped up their purchases of equity oriented schemes of Mutual funds, investing ₹18529 crore in May from ₹15890 crore in April.

WHAT DOES 'ECONOMIC HURRICANE' MEAN TO YOUR MONEY

RAJAS KELKAR

JAMIE Dimon, chairman of JP Morgan, one of the biggest banks in the world, has asked investors to prepare for an economic hurricane. He expects US Federal Reserve to stop bond purchases faster and keep interest rates high to tackle inflation and oil prices to flare up due to the conflict in Ukraine. The storm is likely to lead to a slowdown in global growth significantly. The World Bank and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, a club of rich countries, have already lowered global growth targets for 2022. Despite a higher growth projected than any other major country, India is unlikely to escape the economic hurricane.

All of that means you need to err on caution and avoid unnecessary risks.

The enemy of your money

Inflation in an economy is the biggest enemy of your finances. The value of money erodes as persistently high inflation increases the cost of living. Your monthly expenditure will likely go up as consumer price inflation will remain high. The RBI Household Inflation Expectation Survey released last week says that inflation is expected to remain high for the following year. Industry associations and stock market analysts predict persistently high inflation but expect it to cool off over the next 12 months. That follows a sharp hike of 0.9% in repo rates in a month and an increase in the cash reserve ratio by 0.5% by the RBI monetary policy committee. The CPI rate for May 2022 will be released early next week. It is expected to ease but remains higher than the upper limit set by the RBI of 6%. The market expects RBI to continue to hike rates to tame inflation. The indicator of rising interest rates is the government's 10-year bond yield in the market. It hit 7.5%, the highest level in three years. That means interest rates are expected to increase over the next 12 months. A conservative approach would be to increase the cash savings and cut the associated risk.

Stock market investment

Retail investors like you jumped into the stock market over the past three years at the fastest pace. A slew of the new-age fintech firms sprang up and expanded the ambit of stock market investing and trading. However, the activity has dropped lately, and the new investor brigade has pressed the pause 'button'. The average monthly trading volume for May 2022 regarding the number of shares on the National Stock Exchange fell to the lowest level since October 2020. That may not be such a bad thing. Many new investors entered markets without understanding the fundamental and technical factors that drive share prices. However, many of you continue to invest in equity assets through mutual funds and exchange-traded funds. The Association of Mutual Funds in India reported a solid net inflow of funds for May 2022 in equity or equity-linked assets. That is the right way to deal with the situation. Despite a cut in the expected growth rate, India is likely to remain the fastest-growing major economy in the world. Companies that rely on the economy for growth tend to do well. So, if India's GDP is likely to grow at 7.5% (according to the World Bank's estimates), top-rung companies that depend on that tend to increase profits by at least twice that rate. Market leaders in sectors can pass on the rising input costs to customers and maintain their profit growth. You need to stay invested and continue with your regular monthly investments in equity assets despite the fall in prices.

If the war in Ukraine persists, the world will likely face a severe food shortage. Ukraine and Russia are prominent suppliers of wheat, edible oils, fertilisers and other essential food ingredients. It is in the interest of your money that there should be peace. The war broke out just when the world was trying to recover from supply chain issues. However, that may continue to push prices up further. Idle money loses value the fastest during a phase of inflation. You need to put it in government bonds or instruments that offer returns higher than a saving bank deposit.

(The author is editor-in-chief at www.moneyminute.in)

MONEY-WISE

BANKING ON BAFs TO COUNTER VOLATILITY

AS a Cricket enthusiast and an Investment buff, I have often found that the lessons learnt on either field are often fungible with the other. It is thus that I am looking forward to viewing an upcoming OTT offering, which chronicles one of the Indian cricket team's best overseas Test Series wins.

The Indian team that beat the Australian team in a hard fought series Down Under benefitted from the youthful bravado of Rishabh Pant, Shubman Gill, Mohammed Siraj and Washington Sundar. This bravado was nicely balanced by the experience and patience of veterans Ajinkya Rahane, Cheteshwar Pujara and Ravichandran Ashwin.

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The underlying theme clearly is that be it the cricket field or that of investments, it is necessary to blend caution with aggression and respond appropriately based on the situation.

In the past, Balanced Funds (now renamed Hybrid Equity Funds) gained in popularity and rewarded investors seeking the risk profile it offered, fairly well. But the fact remained that with no upside equity holding restriction, some AMCs were running it literally like a pure equity fund, thus, exposing investors to higher risk than they had signed up for. SEBI's classification of funds helped address this issue to an extent.

But, in more recent years and post the creation of this new category of hybrid funds around half a decade ago, Balanced Advantage Funds (BAF) which are inherently open ended dynamic asset allocation funds have also become popular. It seeks to use time-tested mechanisms using a hybrid investment model to capture equity upsides even while casting a safety net on the downside.

The corpus of a BAF is allocated dynamically between equity and debt securities, based on certain pre-determined market valuation and analysis tools. Some AMCs use the Price to Earnings (P/E) Ratio while some others use the Price to Book (P/B) Ratio as their base for determining the asset allocation mix. Then there are some that use a kind of hybrid model, incorporating both, boosted further by trend analysis.

For the sake of easier comprehension, let us assume that a BAF starts off by investing 33% in pure equity and 33% in arbitrage to keep gross equity investments at or above 65% while investing the rest in debt securities. Their long terms gains thus attract Equity taxation of 10% as against Debt taxation of 20% (with indexation).

However, like any other Dynamic Asset Allocation Fund, BAFs too have the flexibility to dynamically shift the corpus from equity to debt and vice-versa. The underlying theme though is to seek capital appreciation, while guarding against volatility.

To put matters in perspective, it is worth noting that the average fall in returns in the BAF category has been around half of that of the large, medium and small cap categories of funds since the time the markets slipped a couple of months ago.

Next fortnight, we shall proceed to take a closer look at some of the BAF products on offer from AMCs, their current asset allocation and performances.

EXPRESS READ

Tencent buys stake worth $264 m in Flipkart

New Delhi: Chinese technology conglomerate Tencent has bought stake worth $264 million (about ₹2,060 crore) in Flipkart from its co-founder Binny Bansal through its European subsidiary, according to official documents. Flipkart has operations in India only. Bansal holds around 1.84% stake in Flipkart after selling part of his stake to Tencent Cloud Europe BV. The transaction was completed on October 26, 2021 and was shared with the government authorities at the beginning of the current financial year.

IRDAI's new norms to prompt insurers to launch innovative policies: Experts

NEW DELHI: IRDAI's decision to permit 'use and file' facility for most of the insurance products will encourage insurers to come out with innovative covers quickly to the benefit of customers and also deepen the insurance penetration in the country, said experts.

The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) last week extended the 'use and file' procedure for most of the life insurance products, thereby allowing insurers to launch new products without prior approval of the regulator. Earlier, similar relaxations were extended to all the health insurance products and almost all the general insurance products.

The relaxed norms for launching insurance products, experts feel, will also make insurers more responsible as they would be held accountable for the products which are offered in the marketplace without prior approval of IRDAI.

S Prakash, MD, Star Health and Allied Insurance said the new guidelines will support the industry to launch products faster. 'This also puts a lot of responsibility on insurers. While the regulator has given freedom to industry, it also will require insurers to act in a more responsible manner,' he said.

Prasun Sikdar, MD & CEO - ManipalCigna Health Insurance Company said the reforms will further reduce the human intervention, thereby cutting down on the cumbersome waiting period that will ease the process, help the suitable products to reach the untapped geographies and enable their launch in a faster and efficient manner.

Commenting on IRDAI's move, Rakesh Jain, CEO, Reliance General Insurance, said it will support customer-centricity and fuel product innovation, which in turn will boost insurance penetration in the country.

'This new move by IRDAI will empower customers to customize their own coverage as per their needs and encourage insurers to address those requirements quickly. No more 'fit for all' product solutions; the power of choice will now lie with the customers,' Jain added. According to Satishwar Balakrishnan, MD and CEO, Aegon Life Insurance, IRDAI's move will augment product innovation and foster greater responsiveness to consumer needs. 'Use and File will help digital insurers like us to swiftly meet consumer demands. This will increase insurance penetration as well,' Balakrishnan said.

Casparus Kromhout, MD & CEO, Shriram Life Insurance Company said that with this move, companies can move faster to bring new solutions to their customers. 'One more hurdle has been removed signalling a move towards self-management and self-regulation by insurance companies.'

Anil Kumar Aggarwal, MD & CEO of Shriram General Insurance also opined that IRDAI's move would provide a much-needed boost to insurers for filling innovative and customised products as per their customer need. *PTI*

Verstappen wins in Baku as Leclerc limps out

World champion Max Verstappen led a Red Bull 1-2 in Sunday's Azerbaijan Grand Prix in a potentially key moment of the title race after Charles Leclerc and Ferrari endured another dose of raceday misery. Sergio Perez had jumped pole sitter Leclerc to the first turn before Verstappen took control as first the Ferrari of Carlos Sainz and then Leclerc retired with engine problems.

Record bid in play as three-way battle heats up IPL media rights

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

IT is not yet over, but the Indian Premier League (IPL) has already overtaken the English Premier League for per match broadcasting fee. As the e-auction of the IPL media rights for the IPL cycle 2023-27 spilled over to Monday, according to a BCCI official privy to developments, the combined worth of broadcast and digital rights (Package A and B) now stands at ₹43,050 crore. In 2017, the BCCI had sold the IPL media rights for around ₹16,000 crore.

While it is not known who has placed the highest bid in each category so far, sources in the know revealed that there is a three-way battle for both the packages and in the second-half of Sunday, the competition was intense for the digital package. In Package A, which is television rights for Indian subcontinent, the highest bid now stands at ₹23,370 crore (₹57 crore per match from a base price of ₹49 crore). While television rights was always expected to fetch more, it is the digital rights (Indian subcontinent only) which is witnessing a huge surge in price. Set at a base price of ₹33 crore per game, it has now gone upto ₹48 crore per game and now stands at ₹19,680 crore.

With the combined per game fee now standing at ₹105 ($13.4 million), the IPL is now only behind America's National Football League as it is all set overtake the English Premier League comfortably, positioning the T20 league as a truly global enterprise. In the previous cycle, per game value was ₹54.5 crore.

With the e-auction Package C (non-exclusive OTT content for 18-22 matches) and Package D (overseas television and digital) yet to begin, the BCCI officials are expecting the overall figure to touch at least ₹50,000 crore.

But given how the bidders are going big for Package B, market analysts believe, even Package C (18-22 matches), which has a base price of ₹13 crore, could go up as whoever win the digital rights will not be willing to share the weekend and play-off matches to a different party as it would eat into their ad revenue.

In this context, analysts believe the media rights would fetch the BCCI anywhere between ₹55,000-60,000 crore.

With Amazon pulling out, everything pointed to a two-way battle between Disney Star and Viacom18 joint-venture. However, according to reliable sources in the BCCI, even Sony and Zee are believed to be in the race making it a three-way battle in each category.

There were indications that Sony and Zee, who are set for a merger, are not competing with each other and instead are in the fray for different packages.

Sreeshankar eyeing giant leap

After impressive show in Chennai, confident long jumper hopeful of challenging for medal during World C'ships

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

M SREESHANKAR has his hands up in anticipation. He's at the top of the runway, beginning his fifth jump on a humid Saturday evening in Chennai. Whenever he feels confident of a good jump, he raises his hands. Seconds later, he's travelling through the air. It's a textbook landing. One of the officials screams '8.23 metres' — the meet record that helped him finish on the top of the podium. The small but appreciative crowd that's gathered near the long jump pit goes wild. They have got what they came to see; the 23-year-old jumping beyond the 8.20m territory.

It's something the athlete from Kerala has been doing on a consistent basis. In 2022 alone, he has three jumps over the territory. To show how significant this mark is, three of the best 11 jumps in 2022 are his (8.36m, 8.31m, 8.23m). Considering the Worlds begins in just over a month, that's a good place to be in.

Ninety minutes later, the long jumper is jogging up and down a small corridor in the bowels of the stadium. It's a familiar problem that athletes face. He is waiting to give his urine test at doping control but, sometimes, it's not easy. After the high of competition, it may take time for the body. "I usually drink four bottles of water (500ml), I'm down to my fourth. This routine of jogging also helps. Nothing so far today (Saturday)," he laughs. "Once in Patiala (the meet that saw him qualify for Tokyo), I waited for four hours."

At the upcoming World Championships in Eugene, in July, Sreeshankar, along with Neeraj Chopra, will be the principal athletes tasked with ending a 19-year-wait for an athletics medal at the Worlds (Anju Bobby George in 2003). Sreeshankar, who roomed with Chopra in Tokyo, believes it's possible. "I'm aiming for a medal at Eugene," he says. His voice is full of confidence. He is of the opinion that a jump in the region of 8.35m will guarantee one. "8.35m (what's the mark you need to achieve). We have a great Cuban guy (Juan Miguel Echevarria). There is one decathlon guy (Simon Ehammer), who jumped 8.45m (world leader) out of nowhere. He's a major threat. There is (Miltiadis) Tentoglou (Olympic champion). While Sreeshankar has jumped beyond 8.35m this year, the one thing that can be held against him — but not an accusation considering he's still young and learning — is his performances in big events. In three blue-riband meets (2019 Worlds, 2021 Olympics and 2022 Indoor Worlds), his best was 7.92m in Belgrade at the latter. In the two outdoor events, he hasn't managed to go beyond the first round. "At the Olympics, I wasn't physically fit (he had lost some muscle mass owing to Covid). Now, everything is smooth."

He has also worked hard on the mental side of the sport. The end result? He doesn't panic and the anxiety he faced during competitions has almost evaporated because 'he knows I can connect at least one jump'. "I don't feel I'm jumping against Tentoglou or (Thobias, Swedish jumper) Montler. I can beat them.

"Earlier there would be situations when I would panic a lot. I would get anxious. Now, I know I will get it. If not in the fifth jump, then in the sixth jump." He also cites Tentoglou's career as proof that there is always a process, a step-by-step improvement before medaling at the world stage. "Not yet (if he's at Tentaglou and Echevarria's level). They are at a different level but I'm slowly getting there. It will take time. The same happened with Tentaglou. He didn't qualify for the Worlds in 2017 (Outdoors) in 2018 (Outdoors). In 2019, he reached the final. In 2021, he won gold at the Olympics."

Javelin throw ace Annu Rani won gold during the 61st national inter-state athletics meet in Chennai on Sunday | ASHWIN PRASATH

Aishwarya second-best in long jump after legend Anju

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

IN an Indian context, the women's long jump has long been the pied piper among all athletics disciplines. At a time when finishing in the top three even in the heats of various events was a pipe dream, Anju Bobby George showed what was possible in the discipline. Global medals, including a gold at the World Athletics Final (a defunct meet), fired the imagination. Yet, her 6.83m, a national record she set at the 2004 Olympics, has never really been challenged.

Until Sunday. Aishwarya B, who will be taking part in the triple jump final on Monday, set a new personal best of 6.73m. It was the best ever jump made by an Indian athlete not named Anju (previous best was JJ Shobha's 6.66m set at the same venue in 2004). This, of course, wasn't the first time she was competing this week. Having already made the cut in the triple jump qualification (the final is on Monday), she took part in the long jump qualification as a way to get prepared for the triple, 'her primary event', according to her coach, BP Aiyappa.

"She was jumping 6.4 in practice (her previous best was 6.52m at the Open Nationals in 2021). So I knew she had it in her. But this jump was surprising. The main thing now is for her to do well in both the finals here."

With the leap of 6.73m, she has qualified for both events (triple and the long jump) at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham. The former 400m national champion decided to coach the Railways athlete in 2020 'because of her speed and explosive ability to take off the ramp'. "Her speed down the runway is something... In fact, if you see her, you will ask 'she jumps 6.7m?' She's half Anju's size." Aiyappa, whose primary task now is to decide whether to keep her in long jump or get her to focus on one of the two events, was also of the opinion that his ward, could ultimately, break the national record in both. "She can break the national record in both events, yes."

SELECT RESULTS

Men: 110m Hurdles: 1. Siddhanth Thingalaya (Mah) 13.93 seconds; 2. J Surendhar (TN) 14.18; 3. Tarundeeep Singh Bhatia (Pun) 14.21. **High Jump:** 1. Sarvesh Anil Kushare (Mah) 2.24m; 2. Jesse Sandesh (Kar) 2.21; 3. Bharathi Viswanathan (TN) 2.18. **Shot Put:** 1. Tajinderpal Singh Toor (Pun) 20.34m; 2. Karanveer Singh (Pun) 19.07; 3. Akshay (Raj) 18.31.

Women: 3000m Steeplechase: 1. Parul Chaudhary (UP) 9:42.16; 3. Sudha Singh (UP) 10:05.72; 3. Komal Chandrakant Jagdale (Mah) 10:07.57. **Javelin:** 1. Annu Rani (UP) 60.97m; 2. Shilpa Rani (Har) 59.01; 3. Sanjana Choudhary (Raj) 56.14m. 4x100m **Relay:** 1. India (Dutee Chand, Hima Das, S Dhanalakshmi and Srabani Nanda) 43.95s.

Pacers, Klaasen hand India second defeat

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Cuttack

THE last time India and South Africa played a T20I at the Barabati Stadium, Cuttack in 2015, it did not turn out to be a memorable outing for the hosts. They were bundled out for 92 even as the irate fans threw bottles into the outfield from the stands. As expected, they eventually went on to lose the match.

While a lot had changed for the Indian team as well as the stadium, which was renovated, since then, some things remained the same. For starters, on Sunday in the second T20I, the Indian top-order struggled on a surface where getting themselves going from ball one was hard. The pacers had a fair bit of assistance as India batters struggled despite Ishan Kishan's early onslaught (34 off 21). They lost wickets in clusters before Dinesh Karthik's late flourish (30 not out from 21) took them to 148/6 in 20 overs. What also remained unchanged from 2015 is the outcome of the encounter as the hosts yet again lost to Proteas in the end.

The one other thing that hadn't changed for India since 2015 was Bhuvneshwar Kumar providing early breakthroughs. He got rid of Reeza Hendricks with his trademark inswinger. In his next over, he dismissed Dwaine Pretorius to give the hosts some hope.

However, South Africa skipper Temba Bavuma got some crucial boundaries, forcing his Indian counterpart Rishabh Pant to bring back Bhuvneshwar for a third over in the powerplay. And the pacer delivered, getting the wicket of Rassie van der Dussen. Yuzvendra Chahal dismissed Bavuma for a 30-ball 35, but Heinrich Klaasen kept them in chase.

The wicketkeeper-batter launched a counterattack, taking every Indian bowler to cleaners. He smashed 81 from 46 balls, with five sixes and seven fours, taking his side closer to the finish line. From there, South Africa got home comfortably, beating India by four wickets.

Earlier, having put into bat, India lost Ruturaj Gaikwad early as Kagiso Rabada became the second fastest South African to take 50 T20I wickets. Kishan, however, took the attack to the tourists, hitting boundaries at will against the pacers. He eventually fell to a short-ball from Anrich Nortje. Pant and Hardik Pandya did not last long as the South African bowlers ran through the middle-order.

When Shreyas Iyer got out to Pretorius for 40 from 35, India were struggling at 98/5. Karthik, who came into bat at No 7, struggled a bit early on, before going big in the last two overs, taking India to a competitive total.

Brief scores: India 148/6 in 20 ovs (Shreyas 40, Nortje 2/36) **lost to** South Africa 149/6 in 18.2 ovs (Klaasen 81, Bavuma 35, Bhuvneshwar 4/13).

South African players celebrate a wicket against India during the second T20I at the Barabati Stadium in Cuttack, on Sunday | BISWANATH SWAIN

England & Italy play out goalless draw

AP @ London

IT was a night of stalemates for the big teams in the Nations League on Saturday, including a drab scoreless draw in the rematch of last year's European Championship final.

England were held 0-0 by Italy to leave Gareth Southgate's side without a win in three matches in the top-tier Group 3 this month as they prepare for the World Cup. Just a couple of thousand schoolchildren were allowed into the Wolverhampton stadium as part of England's punishment for their fans' disorder ahead of the Euro 2020 final at Wembley, which Italy won in a penalty shootout.

Giovanni Di Lorenzo of Italy (L) is challenged by England's Kieran Trippier during the Nations League tie | AP

Mason Mount hit the crossbar early on for England and home goalkeeper Aaron Ramsdale denied Sandro Tonali before a second half disrupted by many substitutions as both coaches rotated their squad after a gruelling season.

While last-place England are headed to Qatar in November, being top of the group will be no consultation for the Italians who did not qualify for a second straight World Cup.

Hungary, who beat England last Saturday, are a point behind Italy, after drawing 1-1 with Germany. The goals came in the opening nine minutes with Jonas Hofmann slotting in Germany's equalizer to cancel out Zsolt Nagy's strike in Budapest.

There were also two draws in Group 4. The Netherlands had to come from two goals down against Turkey to draw 2-2.

EXPRESS READ

KIYG: Riddhi, Kapish win gold in archery

PANCHKULA: Haryana's Riddhi and Rajasthan's Kapish Singh came from behind to clinch the girls and boys' recurve archery gold while Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh shared the spoils in compound archery on the penultimate day of the Khelo India Youth Games 2021 here on Sunday. Maharashtra held on to their solitary gold lead, with a total of 38 gold, 35 silver and 29 gold.

FIH Pro League: Day to forget for India

ANTWERP (BELGIUM): Indian women's team had a forgettable day in office as it received a sound 0-5 thrashing at the hands of Belgium in a FIH Pro League match here on Saturday. Barbara Nelen (2nd minute), Charlotte Englebert (4th), Abi Raye (19th), Stephanie Vanden Borre (23rd) and Ambre Ballenghien (36th) scored a goal each for the hosts, while India drew a blank. Meanwhile, the Indian men's team also suffered a 2-3 defeat against Belgium.

Pro boxer Sabari enters WBC world rankings

PUNE: Indian boxer and current Australasia Champion Sabari Jaishankar has made it to the ranking chart issued by the Word Boxing Council (WBC). The welterweight boxer, who beat Australian champion boxer Michael Pengue for the WBC Australasia title, has been ranked 36th by the world body. At present, Sabari is the only Indian to make way into the world rankings and overall, only the third Indian after Vijender Singh and Neeraj Goyat.

After medalling on senior debut, relaxed Mohit eyes more success on wrestling mat

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

DAYS before he stepped on the mat to compete in his first senior international tournament in Almaty (Kazakhstan) early this month, wrestler Mohit Grewal was under immense pressure. It was not his maiden appearance that was troubling him but the controversial final bout during the Commonwealth Games selection trials and adverse reactions that followed up were making his life miserable.

Only a medal at the Bolat Turlykhanov Cup (Ranking Series) in Kazakhstan could have silenced his naysayers and the 23-year-old from Haryana did the same. He beat Turkey's Salim Ercan 6-1 before being outclassed by the Tokyo Olympian from Kazakhstan Yusup Batirmurzaev 10-0 in the semifinal. Mohit, however, made a strong comeback in the bronze medal play-off to outscore his Uzbek opponent Sardorbek Kholmatov 8-2 to finish on the podium.

"It (medal) silenced everyone. Before the tournament, everyone was talking about that controversy but everything has changed now," Mohit, who is camping in Sonepat, told this daily.

Making a senior debut is always a learning curve for any athlete and Mohit was no different. The semifinal loss against the Kazakh wrestler had taught him a lot. "I tried to attack him but he counter-attacked and earned points. Conceding points early in the first period cost me the bout. I should have been patient in the first minute of the bout. I should have analysed his game before going all out. The Kazakh wrestler did the same in the final but his opponent managed to hold him and win the bout in the end. Had that semifinal lasted for a full six minutes, I could have won it as once your opponent is tired, you can dictate the terms."

Mohit Grewal (c) with coaches

Notwithstanding the colour of the medal, Mohit terms his senior debut a successful outing. "Obviously, you always want to win gold but given the fact that it was my first senior tournament, I am happy with my performance," added the wrestler.

He has been into various sports since the beginning and pursued swimming and judo before focusing completely on wrestling. "I competed in the 50m butterfly in school nationals. Besides, I had also won medals in junior national judo championships. However, wrestling was my priority from the beginning. The bronze medal in the junior Asian Championships in 2018 made it easy for me to leave out everything for wrestling," he added.

A serious knee injury, however, forced him out of the wrestling mat for almost two years. A determined Mohit made a winning return in 2021 when he won gold at the U-23 national championships. He also competed in the bronze medal play-off at the U-23 World Championships in Belgrade, Serbia. Coming back to the country, he reached the final of the 2021 senior national championships in November and ended with a silver medal.

The U-23 Asian Championships in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan from June 19 to 26 will be his next international assignment and the recent medal has made him confident of a good show there. "The mindset has changed now. I am more relaxed now. This time I will not be under pressure. Instead, I will hope to better my show," he signed off.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **Sri P. Jaychand Bafna S/o Parsmal Bafna, Director of a registered company M/s Sartorial fashion Empire Limited**, a registered company has lost original copy of below mentioned documents. My client has also filed Police complaint regarding the same. It is hereby informed to the general public that who so ever finds the mentioned sale deed may hand over the same to me in the below mentioned address. General Public are hereby warned that any transaction whatsoever with respect to schedule property will be invalid and not binding on my clients. No other person except my clients have any right title of interest or charge or claim of any nature in relation to the Schedule Property.

Details of misplaced documents:

1. Registered Sale deed dated 22.11.1996 vide document No 2754/96-97, Page No 216-221, Book I, Volume No 4379 registered on 31.10.1997 before Sub-registrar, Gandhinagar, Bangalore.
2. Registered Sale deed dated 22.11.1996 vide document No 2756/1996-97, Page No 225 to 231, Book I, Volume No 4379 registered on 31.10.1997 before Sub-registrar, Gandhinagar, Bangalore.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The undersigned is brining to the Public Notice that my clients namely **1. Smt. Puttamma, 2. Smt. Pushpa, 3. Sri. Lakshmana, 4. Sri. Bharath, 5. Sri. C. Nagaraj, 6. Smt. Munirathnamma, 7. Sri. Manu, 8. Sri. Nandan and 9. Smt. Sunandamma** all R/at Arahalli Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District are bought to the Public notice that my Clients are the absolute owners of the Property bearing Sy No.50/1, measuring 2 Acres 10 Guntas situated at Kachamaranahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and as on today my Clients are in Lawful Possession, it is further bought to the Public notice that since our Clients had right, title and interest therefore they had executed the registered Sale Agreement dated 16-08-2014 in favour of G.N. Keshva Reddy S/o Nythappa Reddy vide registered Document No.VRT-1-02096/2014-15 stored in CD. NO.VRTD228, but Sale Deed could not be executed in favour of said Keshva Reddy due to the variation of measurement in the Revenue records, as such my Clients had filed the Revenue Appeal and the same was allowed, however some of the strangers have filed the Appeal as against my Clients, same is pending before the Deputy Commissioner in R.P No.202/2015-16 meanwhile though Keshava Reddy one Remya Madhavan, D/o Prayankot Veetil Madhavan, R/at # RC-805, Purva Riviera Apartments, Varthur Main Road, near Marathalli Bridge, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037 had approached and mislead and misrepresented my Clients and obtained the General Power of Attorney fraudulently on 22-05-2015 registered vide Document No.BNS-4-00130/2015-16, stored in CD. NO.BNSD372 to appear on behalf of our Client before the authorities to get the permissions for the purpose of development of my Clients Schedule Property, but as on today my Clients power of Attorney Holder has not appeared before any authorities and has not obtained any permissions for the purpose of Development and also the terms and conditions mentioned in the General Power of Attorney are not complied and also they have not acted upon the said General Power of Attorney, therefore my Client has cancelled the same on 31-05-2022, which is registered before the Sub-registrar vide Document No.GJN-4-00033/2022-23, stored in CD. NO.GJND1381, therefore in-spite of this cancellation our attorney holder may try to represent on behalf of our Clients, therefore my Clients are bringing to the kind Public notice that not to deal in any manner with respect to the Schedule Property, since the General Power of Attorney dated 22-05-2015 is hereby cancelled and withdrawn. In-spite of this Public notice any Public shall deal with the Schedule Property by virtue of the said General Power of Attorney my Clients are not held responsible.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing Sy No.50/1 measuring to an extent of 2 Acres 10 Guntas, situated at Kachamaranahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore urban District, and bounded on **East by:** Heggondahalli Elc, **West by:** Land belongs to Sri. Muneera, **North by:** Land belongs to Ramaiah, **South by:** Land belongs to Venktappa.

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Place: Bangalore Date: 10-06-2022

IN THE COURT OF THE 56TH ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU
P & SC. No. 261/2022

BETWEEN: DHRAKSHAYANI BYRASHETTY VEERANNA (GOWRAMMA .D), aged about 62 years, D/o D.R. Byrasetty Veeranna, R/at C402, Amoda Valmark, Doddakammanahalli, Off. B.G. Road, Bangalore South, Karnataka-560083. **JAGADAMBA .D.V**, aged about 64 years, D/o D.R. Byrasetty Veeranna, R/at #45/A, 4th Cross, Kalidasa Layout, Srinagar, Bangalore South, Banashankari, Bangalore, Karnataka 560050. **HONNAMMA (HONNADEVAMMA)** aged about 73 years, D/o D. R. Byrasetty Veeranna, R/at #1597, 2nd Cross, Sanjeevini Nagar, Sahakara Nagar, Bangalore North, Shankaranagar P.O, Karnataka-560092. **MRUTHYUNJAYA .K.B**, aged about 58 years, S/o D.R. Byrashetty Veeranna, R/at #102, 4th Cross, 2nd Main, Veerabhadra Nagar, 2nd Stage, Bangalore North, Bangalore, Marathahalli Colony, Karnataka 560037. ... **PETITIONERS**

AND: NIL ... RESPONDENTS

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE PETITION INSTITUTED UNDER SECTION 278 OF THE INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT, 1925 READ WITH ORDER V RULE 20(1) (3) OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1908

Whereas the Petitioners have filed a petition under Section 278 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 seeking grant/issuance of letters of Administration in favor of the Petitioner No.1 by this Hon'ble Court with respect to the estate owned by Mr. Late B.V. Chandrasekharaiah more fully described in the Schedule hereunder.

You are hereby summoned to appear in P & S.C. No. 261/2022 before the Hon'ble Court of the 56th Additional City Civil and Sessions Judge, at Bengaluru (CCH No.57) in person or through a pleader, duly instructed, on **20-07-2022** at 11 AM and set forth your defence.

Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day aforementioned, the matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

SCHEDULE

ITEM No. 1: All that piece and parcel of land bearing No. 266, BEML Layout, 3rd Stage, Halagevaderahalli (BDA), Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru-560098. (Old PID number / Katha/ Survey number 255) measuring 90 feet, North to south 50 feet from East to West totally measuring 4500 sq. ft. with a house built thereon measuring 2500 sq. ft. with remaining 2000 sq. ft. of the land being presently used as a garden bounded on the **East by:** Site No. 267, **West by:** Site No. 265, **North by:** Site No. 257, **South by:** Road.

ITEM No. 2: Fixed/Term Deposit maintained at State Bank of India, Rajarajeshwarinagar Branch, Bengaluru.
Scheme No.: STD-SBITSS06-PUB SRC-5YL8-INR
Account No. 36298148167
Term: 5 years
Principal Amount Rs.: 1,50,000/-
Value Date: 08-12-2015
Maturity Date: 08-12-2021
Maturity Amount Rs.: 2,12,217/-
Nominee: NIL
Principal amount in word: Rs. One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only.
Maturity Amount in words: Rupees Two Lakh Twelve Thousand Two hundred and Seventeen only.

ITEM No. 3: Savings Account Maintained at State Bank of India, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Branch, Bengaluru.
Account No.: 103340303678
Account Type: SB
Outstanding Balance (Rs.): 6,62,697.91/-
Nominee: Nil
Outstanding balance in words: Rupees Six Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Seven and Paisa Ninety One only.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 30-05-2022.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

LAKSHA KALAPPA .B, Advocate
For **Kalappa & Vijay**
3rd Floor, 2nd Main, Opp. BDA Complex, Indiranagar, Bangalore-38.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BANGALORE
P&SC. No. 258/2022

PETITIONERS :
1) Smt. Veena Nagaraja W/o Nagaraja Srinivasa Rao, aged 72 years, R/at : 384 Sree Gurukrupa, 7th Main, 5th Cross, Hampinagar, Bangalore South 560104.
2) Sri. Krishna Srinivasa Rao, S/o Srinivasa Rao, aged 54years, R/at: 260/3, 1st Cross 3rd Main Hanumanthanagar, Bangalore 5600 19.
3) Sri. Venkatesh .S Rao, S/o Srinivasa Rao, aged 53years, R/at: 1743, 6th Main Road, D Block, 2nd Stage, Rajainagar, Bangalore North- 560010
RESPONDENTS : NIL

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioners have made a petition before this Hon'ble Court under Part 10 & Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act 1925, read with rules governing Probate and Succession matters, 1966, for grant of Probate Certificate in favour of Petitioners in respect of below Schedule property as per Will. The said schedule property was owned by Absolute Owner Late L. Seshagiri Rao, S/o Late Sri. K. Lakshminarayanappa, R/at: 120/26, 4th Cross Road, Hanumanthnagar, Bangalore - 560019, in his last **"Will"** dt. 26th October 1994, registered on 2nd December 1994, had stated that after his death, his wife late Smt. S. Saroja shall be the absolute owner of the Schedule property during her lifetime. Now after her death, the Petitioners shall become the joint owners of the Schedule property. Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or through their pleader **on 13-07-2022 at 11:00 AM**, to show cause against the petitioners, failing which, matter will be heard ex-parte

SCHEDULE

House property constructed at ground and first floor vide Corporation No:120/26, 4th Cross Road, Hanumanthanagar, Bangalore - 560019, measuring East to West: 32 (Thirty two) feet and North to South: 45 (Forty Five), & bounded on : **East by: Site No: 121, West by: Site No: 119, North by: 4th Cross Road, South by: Site No: 169.**

Given under my hand & seal of the court on 04-06-2022.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
City Civil Court : CCH-13, Bangalore
Sushma Naik, Advocate.
No. 34, 1st 'C' Cross, Sathyanarayana Layout, Basaveshwarnagar, Bangalore - 560 079

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify to the general public that, my client **Mr. SRINIVASA MURTHY.K.V,** R/at No.61, Karlapura, Byatha Post, Heasaraghatta Hobli, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560089, and he is intending to purchase the Schedule Property from its present owner Mr. M. RAGHAVENDRA also known as RAGHAVENDRA REDDY, who had acquired the same in theregistered Sale Deed dated 21.04.2017executed by previous owner Sri.Hanumantharayappa, S/o late.Ganganna and others, registered at Yelahanka, Bengaluru.

If any person/s claiming any right, title or interest of any nature or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to said Schedule property and/or any objections of any nature to the transaction should lodge such claim and/or objections in writing to the undersigned address together with supporting documents within 12(Twelve) days hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our client would proceed to complete the sale transaction with the aforesaid owner subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Sy.No.98 measuring 5 Acre 01 gunta and 05 guntas of Karab land situated at Sonnenahalli Village also known as Dhakale Karlapura, Hesaraghatta Hobli 2, Yelahanka, Bengaluru Urban District & land is bounded as:-

East By : Private Property in Gramatana
West By : Land in Sy.No.75
North By : Land in Sy.Nos.96,97,105 & 106
South By : Land in Sy.No.75,99,100 & 102

RUDRASWAMY.G.M &
Mr.NAVEEN KUMAR.L
Advocates Associates, # 27, Palace Guttahalli, 2nd Cross, Palace Guttahalli, Malleshwaram, BENGALURU-560 003.
Mob No.8892212142
Place : Bangalore Date : 12.06.2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client has negotiated to purchase below mentioned property from its owner **Sri V. NARAYANAPPA** Aged about 53 years S/o late Venkatayellappa, residing at No.31C, 1st Main, Ambedkar Nagar, Nagarbhavi, Bengaluru-560 072.

Any person/s, individual/s, financial institution/s, firms, societies, cooperative or schedule Bank/s etc., having/asserting any right, title, interest and claim/s or any part thereof in any manner in the schedule property or objecting to such sale in favour of my clients may forward/lodge their claim with the undersigned within **TEN DAYS** from the date of publication hereof with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their right/s. Objections or claim/s received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client will proceed to purchase the said property as if there are no claimant/s, objections of whatsoever nature with regard to the schedule property from its owner.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property together with standing structure thereon Municipal **No. 4/1,** (Old Municipal No.4 and 5, Oldest No.13), having V P Khatha No.8, situated at A. K. Colony Nagarabhavi Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and presently known as 1st Main Road A. K. colony Ward No.38, having **PID No.38-106-4/1,** Ground consisting of 3 Shops, First Floor one hall and 1 room with attach bath room, Second Floor residential 2 Bed Room house and 3rd Floor 1 Bed room house, with all civic amenities, together with all rights and appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface hereon and

MEASURING:-
East to West : 45 Feet, North to South : 18 Feet
Totally measuring 810 Sq. Ft
AND BOUNDED ON:
East by : Nagarabhavi Main Road
West by : Property bearing No.5, belong to Madduramma Seva Samithi Trust®
North by : Road
South by : Property bearing No.4, belong to Sri Goutam Midya

Mohamed Arshed Ahmed,
Advocate,
No. 4, Main Guard Cross Road,
Bangalore-560 001 Mobile: 9243109141

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PUBLIC NOTICE

We are investigating the title of the below owners with respect to the land parcels all situated at Choodasandra and Rayasandra Villages, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, which are morefully detailed in the table below and hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Schedule Property".

Any person having any right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Property must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof within ten (10) days of this publication. In case no such notice is received by us within ten (10) days from the date of publication of this notice, it shall be presumed that the title of the owners (as detailed below) with respect to the Schedule Property is clear, marketable and free from encumbrance/s of any kind whatsoever and no person has any right, title or interest of any nature whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property or any part thereof. Claims or alleged interest, if any, which are not received within ten (10) days from the date of publication of this notice shall be deemed to have been waived and disregarded for all intents and purposes and shall not be binding on our client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the land situated at Choodasandra and Rayasandra Villages, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District:

Sl No.	Survey Nos.	Extent Acres	Guntas	Boundaries East by: E, West by: W, North by: N, South by: S	Owners
				Choodasandra Village	
1.	2/1	01	19	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 74. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 86. **N**: Halanayakanahalli Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 2/2	M/s Orchids Apartments Private Limited,
2.	2/2	03	15	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 4. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos.1 and 86. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 2/1. **S**: Land bearing Survey No.4.	
3.	4	02	03	**E**: Land bearing Survey Nos.5, 10 and 11. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos.2 & 3. **N**: Halanayakanahalli Village Border and Road. **S**: Land bearing Survey No 26.	
4.	16	3	13	**E**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 13 and 17. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 15. **S**: Remaining portion of same Survey No. 16.	
5.	14/3	00	16.08	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 14/2. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 13. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 8. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 15.	M. Gowramma wife of late C. Ashok and her children namely Srinivas.A, Chinnamma. A, Shashikala. A, Prabha. A and Shiva Kumar. A,
6.	15/3	01	02.12	**E**: Property belonging to C. Venkatesh bearing Sy.No.15. **W**: Remaining land of Sri. Sudarshan. **N**: Property fallen to the share of Smt. Gowramma bearing Sy. No. 14 . **S**: Krishnappa and Gullapapaiah's Property.	
7.	5	1	37	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 6. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 4. **N**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 10.	M/s Shanders Property Developers Private Limited
8.	10	1	33	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 9. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 4. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 5. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 11.	
9.	3/2	1	20	**E**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 14 and 15. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 12. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 14. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 13/3.	
10.	6/1	2	17	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 7. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 5. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 6/2. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 9.	Muniyappa, Munivenkatappa and Munikaverappa all son of late Chikkapapa,
11.	6/2	2	8	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 7. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 5. **N**: Halanayakanahalli Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 6/1.	Sharadamma, Paparaju, Parthasarathi, Krishnaswamy, Munivenkatappa, Chandranna, Shivanna all children of late Munikaverappa,
12.	7	5	28	**E**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 6 and 9. **N**: Halanayakanahalli Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 8.	
13.	8/1	1	7	**E**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 9. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 7. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 8/2.	K.Y. Venkataswamy Reddy son of Yellappa,
14.	8/2	1	3	**E**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 9. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 8/1. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 8/3.	
15.	8/3	2	23	**E**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 9. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 8/2. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 14.	
16.	9	7	24	**E**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 6, 7 & 8. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 10, 11 & 12. **N**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 5, 6, 10 & 11. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 13.	
17.	13/3	2	13	**E**: Land bearing Survey Nos.15 and 16. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos. 12 and 13/1. **N**: Land bearing Survey No.13/2. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 17.	Ashok Abraham Kuriakose son of late C.T. Kuriakose,
18.	16	2	00	**E**: Chikkanayakanahalli Village Border. **W**: Land bearing Survey Nos.13 and 17. **N**: Remaining portion of same Survey No. 16. **S**: Road and Rayasandra Village Border.	B. Krishna, son of Late Basavaiah
19.	17/1	1	13.04	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 16. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 18. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 13. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 17/2.	B.M. Munirama Reddy son of late Muniyappa Reddy, B.M. Sunil Kumar, son of B.M. Munirama Reddy,
20.	18/2	3	7	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 17. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 18/1. **N**: Land bearing Survey No. 13. **S**: Rayasandra Village Border.	Yellappa son of Dasappa,
				Rayasandra Village	
21.	120/3	0	20	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 120/1. **W**: Land bearing Survey No.120/4. **N**: Choodasandra Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No.130.	K.Y. Venkataswamy Reddy son of Yellappa Reddy,
22.	120/4	1	0	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 120/3. **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 122. **N**: Choodasandra Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 130.	K. Radha wife of K.Y Venkataswamy Reddy,
23.	120/1	0	20	**E**: Land bearing Survey No. 120/2 and 121 **W**: Land bearing Survey No. 120/3 **N**: Choodasandra Village Border. **S**: Land bearing Survey No. 121 and 130	Hema Reddy, son of Munishami Reddy, Akkaiamma, wife of Munishami Reddy, and Kamakshamma, daughter of Munishami Reddy

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 13.06.2022

Malini Raju
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Possession Notice (For Immovable Property) Rule 8-(1)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **IIFL Home Finance Limited** (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-HFL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, a Demand Notice was issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower/Co-Borrowers mentioned herein below to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IIFL HFL** for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

"The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, If the borrower clears the dues of the **"IIFL HFL"** together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred, at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured assets shall not be sold or transferred by **"IIFL HFL"** and no further step shall be taken by **"IIFL HFL"** for transfer or sale of the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mr. Ravikumar **Mrs. Lakshmi M** **(Prospect No.956963)**	All that piece and parcel of: No.35, Area Measuring 1440 Sq.ft., Harinagar, Muneshwara Block, Kothanur Main Road, Kothanur, New Delhi Public School, Bangalore-560077, Karnataka, India.	**Rs.23,19,126/-** (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Six Only)	23-May-2022	08-June-2022

For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office:** "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru-560025 / or **Corporate Office:** Plot No.98, Phase-IV, Udyog Vihar, Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place: Bangalore, Date: 13.06.2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

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Appendix IV [Rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of Deutsche Bank AG, India ("Bank") under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **04/05/2021** calling upon the borrower **M/s. Grb Enterprises, Mr. Balaji R and Ms. Jamuna R (Borrower)** to repay the outstanding amount as mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 5,81,82,320.89/- (Rupees Five Crore Eighty One Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty and Eighty Nine Paisa Only)**, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 9 of the said act on this **10th day of June of the year 2022.**

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank for an amount of **Rs. 5,81,82,320.89/- (Rupees Five Crore Eighty One Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty and Eighty Nine Paisa Only)** and interest thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property

Property (I)

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY

ITEM NO.I: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/5, measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No.ALN(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli , Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as:- **East by:** Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5; **West by:** Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5; **North by:** Land bearing Sy.No.73/4; **South by:** Land bearing Sy.No.73/6;

ITEM NO.II: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6, measuring 21 Guntas (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No.ALN(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as:- **East by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/6; **West by:** Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/6; **North by:** Land bearing Sy.No.73/5; **South by:** Road;

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No .73 / 5 , measuring1 Acre 17 Guntas and Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6, measuring 21 Guntas, both the properties totally measuring 1 Acre 38 Guntas, (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No.ALN(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), Presently Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No.359/73/5/73/6/17, situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as:- **East by :** Remaining portion of Sy. No .73/5 and 73/6; **West by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; **North by :** Land bearing Sy.No.73/4; **South by :** Road;

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY

942 Sq.feet undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property (proportionate to the Schedule C Property).

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY

Residential Flat/Apartment bearing No.310 (Flat No.310, 311 and 312 merged in to 310) at 'Third Floor in Block-B, Wing-C admeasuring a super built area of 3512 Square Feet, consisting of 6 Bedrooms, , in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building known as "SRI KRISHNA EXCEL STONE", constructed over the Schedule "A" Property inclusive of proportionate share in the common areas such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area, (including half portion in depth of the joints between the Ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with Three covered car parking space slot to be earmarked and the apartment is bounded on:- **East by :** Open to Sky,**West by:** Open to Sky, **North by** : Open to Sky, **South by:** Corridor.

Property (II)

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY

Residential Flat/Apartment bearing No.010 at 'Ground Floor in Block-B, Wing-C admeasuring a super built area of 3512 Square Feet, consisting of 6 Bedrooms, the walls have been demolished and one flat is their, in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building known as "SRI KRISHNA EXCEL STONE", constructed over the Schedule "A" Property inclusive of proportionate share in the common areas such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area, (including half portion in depth of the joints between the Ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with Four covered car parking space slot to be earmarked and the apartment is bounded on: **East by :** Open to Sky, **West by:** Open to Sky, **North by:** Open to Sky, **South by:** Corridor.

Property (III)

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY

395 Sq.feet undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property (proportionate to the Schedule C Property).

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY

Residential Apartment bearing No.005 in the Ground Floor, Block-B, in Wing-D, admeasuring a super built area of 1473 Square Feet, consisting of 2 Bedrooms, in the multistoried Residential Apartment Building known as "SRI KRISHNA EXCEL STONE", constructed over the Schedule "A" Property inclusive of proportionate share in the common areas such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area, (including half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with a covered car parking space slot to be earmarked and the apartment is bounded on: **East by :** Open to Sky, **West by:** Open to Sky, **North by:** Corridor, **South by:** Open to Sky.

Date: 12.06.2022
Place: Bengaluru

Pankaj Gotawat
Authorized Officer, Deutsche Bank A.G.

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No.26-27, Raheja Towers, M.G. Road,
(I Floor), Bangalore-560001.
Tel No. 080-25095087.
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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act(SARFAESI), 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property(ies) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

The auction will be held on 29.06.2022 from 01.00 PM to 05.00 PM

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sl. No.	Branch Name : Branch Contact No : A/c Name : A/c No :	Description of the property	A) SARFAESI Details Possession B) Outstanding Amount in Rs.	A) Reserve Price B) EMD C) Bid Increase Amount
1	Branch : Peenya Branch (125100) **Mob : 9073678789** M/s S & S Infra Management Services Mortgagor : Mr. T Byataraya **A/C No.1251008700003243 & 125100SG00000249**	All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No. 24, Property No. 19/1, 548/1, 1/19/1/A, Khata No.487, Arakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore measuring East to West : (40.5+40)/2 ft and North to South: 30 ft, total 1207.50 sq ft , in the name of **Mr. T Byataraya** and Bounded as: **East by :** Remaining Part of the Same Property (Site No. 1), **West by :** 25'0" Road, **North by :** Remaining Part of the Same Property (Site No. 23) and **South by :** Remaining Part of the Same Property (Site No. 24).	A) 13(2) 25.04.2018 13(4) 15.11.2021 Symbolic **B) Rs.3,53,25,490.38 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.1,22,91,000/-** **B) Rs.12,30,000/-** **C) Rs.1,00,000/-**
2	Branch : Peenya Branch (125100) **Mob : 9073678789** M/s S & S Infra Management Services Mortgagor : Mrs.Pratibha K.B. **A/C No.1251008700003243 & 125100SG00000249**	All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. B-102 having super built up area of 1451 sq ft, undivided share of 799.36 sq ft, in the name of **Mrs. Pratibha K.B.** at 1st Floor in Apartment "Concorde Midway City" , Land in Sy. No 20, Basapura Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, and Bounded by : **East by :** Road, **West by :** Land of Sy No. 22, **North by :** Land of Sy. No. 18 and **South by :** Land of Sy. No. 21/2.	A) 13(2) 25.04.2018 13(4) 15.11.2021 Symbolic **B) Rs.3,53,25,490.38 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.70,00,000/-** **B) Rs.7,00,000/-** **C) Rs.50,000/-**

Encumbrances : No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidders are requested to do their own Due Diligence.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF E-AUCTION SALE : 1. The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (1) The auction sale will be "online through e-auction" portal **http://www.mstcecommerce.com. 2.** The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they are requested to upload requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days), the intending Bidders/ Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet before the e-auction Date and time in the portal. 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Ten minutes time will be allowed to bidders to quote successive higher bid and if no higher bid is offered by any bidder after the expiry of ten minutes to the last highest bid, the e-auction shall be closed. **10.** It is the responsibility of intending Bidder(s) to properly read the Sale Notice, Terms & conditions of e-auction, Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction and follow them strictly. **(1)** In case of any difficulty or need of assistance before or during e-Auction process may contact authorized representative of our e-Auction Service Provider (http://www.mstcecommerce.com/). Details of which are available on the e-Auction portal. **11.** After finalization of e-Auction by the Authorized Officer, only successful bidder will be informed by our above referred service provider through SMS/ email. 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DAY'S DIARY

The Kahlo gallery

Mexico City, in 2007, hosted the largest exhibition of Frida Kahlo's works to mark her 100th birth anniversary

A COLOURFUL SHOWCASE

The display encompassed nearly one-third of Kahlo's total artistic output, including 65 oil portraits, 45 drawings, 11 watercolours and five prints. About 350 pieces were displayed

CELEBRATING THE ARTIST

Kahlo has been embraced by art critics, scholars and curators, and those who have found validation in her life and work for personal aspirations

FOR POSTERITY

Some galleries at the exhibit were devoted to documenting Kahlo's life, featuring 50 of her letters and 100 photographs

Shine Shetty to essay a cop role in Mafia

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GRUB HUB

Debolina Ray, a Bengaluru-based food & travel blogger who runs a blog called She Knows Grub, dishes out fun food-related trivia in this weekly series. So, answer these three questions and find out how much of a foodie you are

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'**

The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*. The first prize winner this week will win a complimentary voucher worth ₹1,175 from Gopal Jee Cafe **

THE RIGHT ANSWERS

1) Kummu Curry from Kodagu; 2) Koile Meen; 3) Therma Thoppu

FIRST 3 TO GET IT RIGHT

1) Harini Kariappa
2) Gururaj K
3) Bharadwaj K

***Conditions apply**

Bengaluru-boy Niranjan Mukundan, who is currently in Portugal for the 2022 World Para Swimming Championships, speaks to *CE* about his recent gold wins at Para Swimming Cup 2022, Prague, and also his first medal in France

THE GOLDEN BOY

MONIKA MONALISA

SWIMMER **Niranjan Mukundan** may have missed making it to the finals list at the Tokyo Paralympics 2022, but he is a man on a mission, aiming for the gold at the 2022 Commonwealth Games, scheduled to take place at Birmingham next month. After winning gold, silver and bronze for different categories at the Para Swimming Cup 2022 in Prague and bronze at Championnat De France, the Bengaluru-based swimmer is riding high on success.

Mukundan is in Madeira, Portugal, now for the World Para Winning Championships 2022. Speaking to *CE* from Madeira, Mukundan calls himself a travel junkie and says he loves the European scenic beauty but he is not on holiday. "This sport has definitely broadened my horizon as I can travel from one part of the world to another. However, the opportunity to represent your country is what I would say the real privilege is. I definitely don't want to mess it up," says Mukundan. While travelling most of the year has been exciting for him, what he misses the most is "spending time with family".

Mukundan was born with the medical condition called spina bifida (a birth defect in which an area of the spinal column doesn't form properly) and has gone through 19 surgeries since he was nine months old.

"One of the doctors who performed the surgeries on both my legs suggested I try swimming and horse riding. My parents were confused with this because till the age of four or five, I was not able to walk and was carried everywhere," recalls Mukundan, adding that the doctor was persuasive and therefore he started swimming in 2003. Mukundan feels water as an element had different plans for him and eventually fell in love with swimming.

He was noticed by one of the coaches at Basavanagudi Aquatic Centre who pointed out the potential in him and advised his parents to send him to para championships. "My parents were initially reluctant since they didn't have much of an idea about how to take sports as a career, especially given my medical condition. But I went to competitions and did well. And as a kid, when you win a medal, everyone appreciates you, pushing you to want to do it again," says Mukundan, who travelled to Germany in April for training and has been on a marathon to win medals since then.

Currently keeping a hawk's eye on 2022 Commonwealth Games, Mukundan is someone who likes to achieve immediate goals.

"I live in the moment and, honestly, I like it that way. Having said that, from an athlete's perspective, 2024 Summer Paralympics in Paris is round the corner and qualifications start from January 2023. As a swimmer, I have no time at all," exclaims Mukundan, who is heading back to India after the Portugal tournament and is planning to train in the country for three weeks before going for the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

PAWSOME WEEKEND

Pet lovers hung out at Jayamahal Palace to celebrate the joy of petting on Sunday. PetGala was organised by Whiskas and Feline Club of India. More than 200 cats participated in the championship cat show with a jury of two international judges. There was also an adoption drive at the event where visitors took home Indie Mau cats| NAGARAJA GADEKAL

XPRESS FOCUS

'Housing and residential sectors are upbeat because of the WFH concept'

Praveen Vijayan always believed that god has given each one, in a measure, the power to make our own fate. And from the beginning of his career, he was sure to be on his own. Today, he is a successful entrepreneur and the face of RE Address Partners LLP, a real estate advisory company formed in 2017, which is into consulting and luxury real estate as well as an array of other realty related services. Praveen has also established branches in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and UAE. He is also a restaurateur & hotelier, owning a couple of restaurants in Bengaluru. He speaks about the current real estate scenario in Bengaluru and his outlook for the future.

What are your views on the impact of Coronavirus on the Bengaluru real estate sector?

COVID 19 and the country-wide lockdown had crippled the entire real estate ecosystem in 2020. The impact of it was devastating to the point that it brought property transactions to a near halt during the first wave in the months of March 2020 to June 2020. Just when several efforts on marginal recovery were in place, the second wave, which was even more fatal, triggered in another pull down effect. The impact of less liquidity, severe labour shortage because of migrant labour issues and credit crunch brought down the residential sales drastically to about 50%.

But now, I personally feel that the positive spirits are back again because the pandemic has changed the way we live, work & socialise, and therefore adapting to the new normal.

Is it too early to predict whether the 'next' variant will have repercussions on housing demand and sales or not?

I personally do not think that any next variant will have downtrend repercussions on demand and sales. In fact, the whole world has surpassed the downfall and we will see steady flow of investments that will ensure growth opportunities with higher returns.

Do you think the realty industry might witness downward impact on site visits, new bookings and launches if another variant comes in?

The market has been focussing all the sales through digital media and virtual tours, 3D mapping and everything is being linked with technology. So another variant may bring in a resting phase but it is highly unlikely to see a downfall because people have realised that the space they would spend hours of their productive time should be a safe haven. The entire spectrum and view is changing.

According to you, what has been the scale of impact on housing till now in the Bengaluru market?

The housing and residential sector of realty is surging strongly upwards because of the 'work from home' concept developing strongly across the various sectors and technology to interlink them all. There are lot of buyers still stuck because of no progress on site, delayed hand overs and few hardships in meeting bank loan deadlines. Reduced bank loan rates, slashes on registration duties on the other hand are boosting buyers to come forward and invest and majority of people are looking for, I would say, 'Quality time in Quality Space and better lifestyle'. So it is just a matter of time.

How about commercial and retail spaces in Bengaluru?

The commercial and retail spaces are still struggling to keep afloat because a lot of them have gone vacant due to the pandemic, and people transacting and connecting virtually. But with the huge infrastructure developments like the metro, the peripheral road projects, the emerging micro markets in the peripheral territories and the innumerable startups which we are witnessing and top brands wanting to make a place in Bangalore, the infrastructural developments might beat the downfall and see progress through the days and months to come. Socially enabled working stations is a must because humans thrive on that connect to raise and perform better. We cannot do without that.

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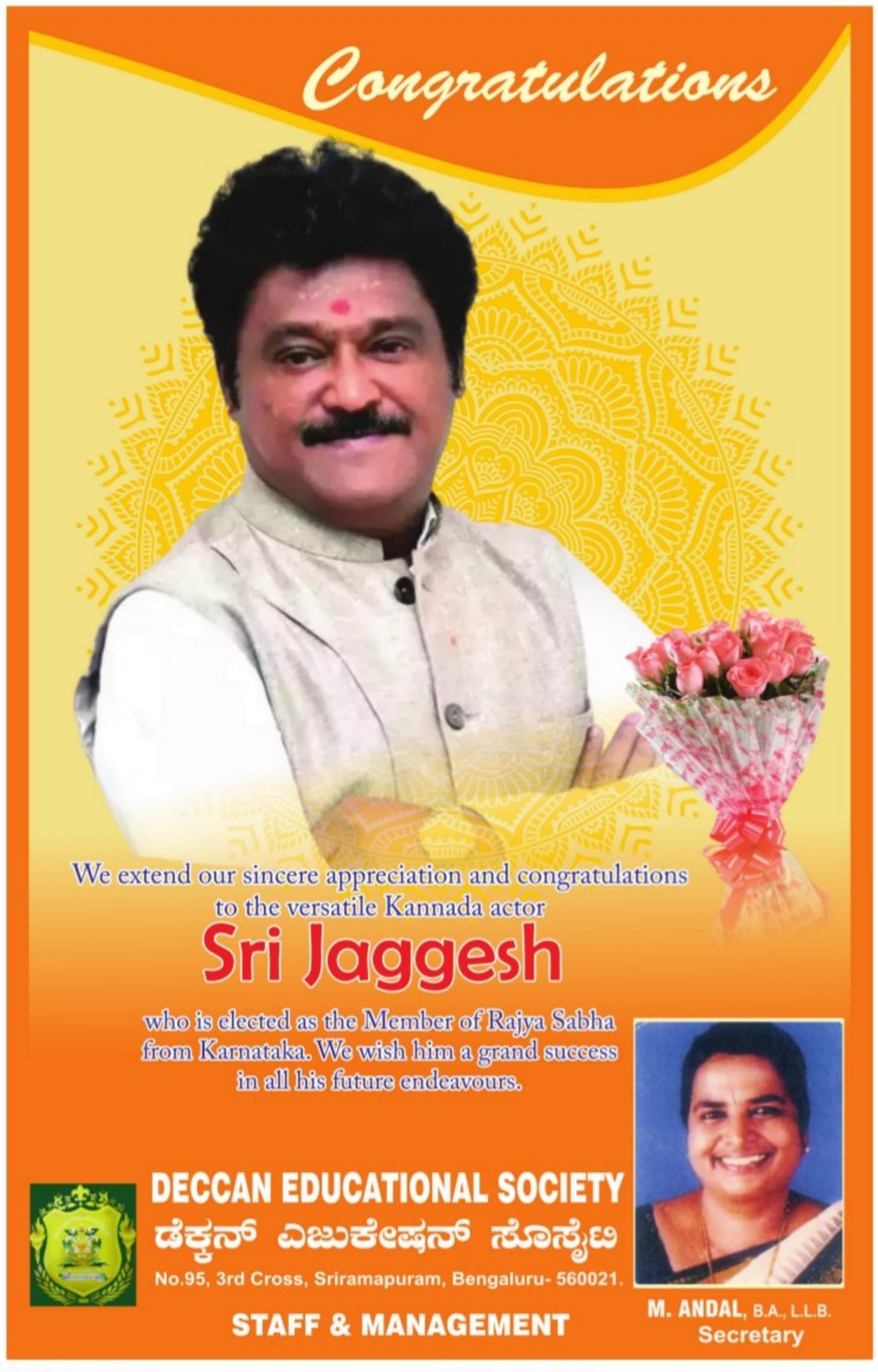
How optimistic are you that things will turn for the better in the very near future?

I am super optimistic. The pandemic has made it very clear as to what buyers and businesses are looking for and the entire realty sector is also tuned into working in the same lines and frame of thought. It thus streamlines the approach and tells us what has to be considered in developing a product which could be highly attractive in terms of investment. Things have started opening up, changes are being welcomed and Yes, we have survived a pandemic and thus there should always be a sunny side up.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LIVE TRIBUTE

Walk down memory lane with singer Shashi and team as they pay tribute to celebrated singers and Indian legends Kishore Da, Rafi Sahab and Mukesh with their hit songs. Experience Bollywood's finest golden retro tracks. **When:** June 24 **Where:** Chowdiah Memorial Hall, Malleswaram **Details:** bookmyshow.com

ART DEVOTION

Indian Institute of World culture presents an Art gallery on premises that brings to you 'Odyssey To A Great Epic', to showcase the works of renowned artist Chandranath Acharya. **When:** Till June 16 **Where:** Indian Institute of World Culture, Basavanagudi. **Details:** 26678581

JOKES THESE DAYS

Abhinav Anand, Peeyush Kumar and Rahul Robin present a night of fun and laughter with Jokes Aaj Kal along with a refreshing coffee to go. **When:** June 18 **Where:** Shades of Coffee. HSR Layout **Details:** bookmyshow.com

RETRONOME'S TRIBUTE

Catch Retronome pay tribute to popular pop bands Maroon 5 and Coldplay. Enjoy his jam-packed perfect blend of a playlist and groove to your favourite songs. **When:** June 18 **Where:** Hard Rock Café, Whitefield **Details:** bookmyshow.com

JOIN IN THE EVENINGS OF POETRY, PEN, PAPER AND THE MAGIC OF WORDS WITH POETRY RECITAL GET-TOGETHERS. WHEN: JUNE 14 ONWARDS WHERE: LAHE LAHE, INDIRANAGAR

Mastermind Meetup

Do you think you can win a game of chess? In this chess connect, bring your chess sets along and play with everyone, banter, trash talk and have fun! **When:** June 19, 10 am **Where:** Lahe Lahe, Indiranagar **Details:** bookmyshow.com

Mango and Tea

The Mangolicious Afternoon Tea at Four Seasons Hotel revolves around ripe, luscious mangoes that have been transformed into a clutch of dainty treats. A sweet delight of fresh mangoes, just in season, crafted into pastries and light bites will be offered. **When:** Till June 21 **Where:** Four Seasons Hotel, Bellary Road **Details:** 7619146004

Rock and Roll

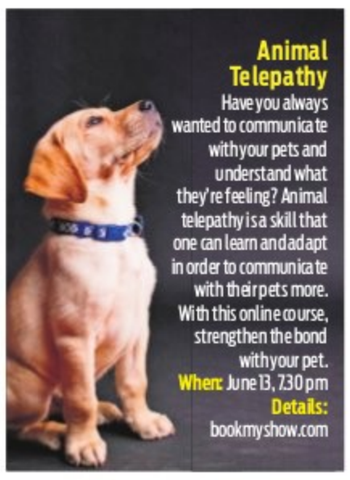
Go with your loved ones to Wednesdays Rock and Roll nights to beat the mid-week blues. **When:** June 15 onwards **Where:** Gilly's Resto Bar, St Marks Road **Details:** bookmyshow.com

FATHER'S DAY SPECIAL

Make this Father's Day special with Chowman's special three-course meal. Enjoy the authentic delicacies like wontons, noodles, fried rice, and a lot more, in both vegetarian and non-vegetarian meal options available for delivery. **When:** June 19 **Where:** Chowman, all outlets

Love For Books

In this Dialogues with Books meet up, have a fun filled evening with books, books and more books. Talk about your favourite books and authors. Join the bibliophiles for some cozy vibes. **When:** June 18 **Where:** Dialogues Cafe, JP Nagar



Animal Telepathy

Have you always wanted to communicate with your pets and understand what they're feeling? Animal telepathy is a skill that one can learn and adapt in order to communicate with their pets more. With this online course, strengthen the bond with your pet. **When:** June 13, 7.30 pm **Details:** bookmyshow.com

Playing it Right

An English translation of a Bengali script written by Sri Nirup Mitra, 'A Judgement Error? ?' play is intense and builds on tension and drama, as 15 characters on stage tell a passionate story, reflecting upon the judgment exercised on a young girl. **When:** June 19 **Where:** Bangalore International Centre, Domlur **Details:** bookmyshow.com

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

JOWAR MOHANTHAL

INGREDIENTS

- **Ghee:** 1/2 cup
- **Jowar flour:** 1 cup
- **Nutmeg powder:** 1/4 tsp
- **Mace powder:** A pinch
- **Dry fruits (slivers):** 1 tbsp
- **Jaggery (powdered):** 3/4 cup
- **Water:** as required

METHOD

- Fry jowar flour in ghee for 10-12 minutes on low flame or till colour changes.
- Add nutmeg powder and a pinch of mace powder. Some almond and cashew (slivers) and raisins can be added.
- Melt jaggery in a different vessel with little water, stir till it forms a uniform mixture.
- Add jaggery mix to the flour. Switch off flame, stir and quickly and pour on a greased plate. Let it cool and cut.

— Shobha Jaidev, Bengaluru

SOUND BOARD

INSPIRATIONAL SPEECHES BY BILLIONAIRES
Life-changing advice from 21st Century billionaires, like Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, and so on.
- On: Spotify

LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE: SEASON - 1
Guests here are best-selling authors, international executives, public personalities, thought-leaders, health and fitness experts, award-winning chefs and role models who are recreating their lives in interesting, unique ways.
- On: Gaana

THE CAREER CHANGE COACH
Listen to Career Change Coach, Selina Barker, as she takes six different people on a career change journey to help them figure out what work they would really love to do and create a plan of how to make that change happen.
- On: Audible

RAISING PARENTS
You don't just become a parent once you have a child. Somewhere between childhood and our children reaching adulthood, we become parents. Hear Mansi Zaveri unearth stories that help each one of us be better parents.
- On: JioSaavn

SARTHAK'S ROCKUMENTARY SEASON 2
Sarthak presents the Gaana Rockumentary, a classic radio type content wherein Sarthak's talk on the world of rock is interspersed with the best of rock music.
- On: Gaana

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

NEER DOSE
A retired government worker, a van driver, a sex worker and the owner of a milk stall lead an odd friendship as they try to navigate through their lives.
Cast: Jaggesh, Haripriya, Suman Ranganathan, HG Dattatreya

AVANE SRIMANNARAYANA
Narayana attempts to solve the mystery behind the treasure that has gone missing. However, Jayaram, a gang leader, places several obstacles in his way.
Cast: Rakshit Shetty, Shanvi Srivastava, Achyuth Kumar

DARSHAN
A man whose parents were killed years ago starts living with a family as a paying guest. Soon, he falls for his landlord's daughter, who realises his true agenda is quite different.
Cast: Darshan, Chitra Shenoy

RANGI TARANGA
Gautam, a novelist, and his wife, Indu, visit her ancestral house after she experiences repetitive nightmares. Subsequently, some unnatural occurrences unfold a mystery about Gautam's forgotten past.
Cast: Nirup Bhandari , Radhika Chetan, Avantika Shetty

CHARLIE
Tessa runs away from home to avoid getting married and rents a room. She finds a sketchbook of the previous occupant, which reveals an incomplete story, and decides to find the artist.
Cast: Dulquer Salmaan, Parvathy Thiruvothu, Aparna Gopinath, Nedumudi Venu

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 HOW BLACK GIRLS CAN RECLAIM THEIR VOICE IN MUSIC BY KYRA GAUNT
Digital ethnomusicologist Kyra Gaunt studies how Black girls can preserve the integrity of their own voices while listening, dancing and singing to pop songs largely engineered by men, often with lyrics that express anti-Black, patriarchal sentiments. She shows how Black girls can disrupt the stereotypes and stigmas buried within this music.

2 A SCI-FI STORY OF CLIMATE OPTIMISM BY VANDANA SINGH
"The world is a living tapestr ... As the weave of life is torn apart in one place, the threads unravel in another," says author and physics professor Vandana Singh. Reading an excerpt from her latest work of speculative fiction, Singh shares a hopeful vision for Earth's renewal.

3 EMBRACE YOUR INNER GIRL BY EVE ENSLER
In this passionate talk, Eve Ensler declares that there is a girl cell in us all -- a cell that we have all been taught to suppress. She tells heartfelt stories of girls around the world who have overcome shocking adversity and violence to reveal the astonishing strength of being a girl.

4 ESPORTS AND THE NEW ERA OF PLAY BY JAMES HODGE
Reframing our understanding of competition, data-driven technologist James Hodge explains how far esports has come in replicating the conditions of physical sports, making elite competition more accessible.

5 THE RADICAL, REVOLUTIONARY RESILIENCE OF BLACK JOY BY MIRACLE JONES
In the face of trauma, happiness is resilience: a revolutionary act of thriving despite all odds, rather than wilting or surrendering. Community organiser and activist Miracle Jones offers a heart-to-heart meditation on the role of joy as a form of radical resistance, survival and protection for Black folks in the US and across the world.

FIT BIT

SUPTA BADDHA KONASANA VARIATION
(RECLINING BOUND ANGLE POSE VARIATION)

It comes under the category of restorative yoga poses, where the practitioner is more conscious in order to renew energy and calm the nervous system. Generally, this concludes a yoga session in a relaxing way to gain control over the body and mind. It gives rest to the back and hips. It slows the heart rate, enhances the flow of energy in the abdominal and reproductive regions, supports digestion by increasing intestinal activity, and relaxes muscles. It stimulates Svadhisthana (Sacral) Chakra.

STEPS

- Come into Savasana (Corpse Pose). Take a few breaths watching the expansion of the spine as you inhale.
- Bend at your knees, bringing your feet together in Namaste pose. Press the knees close to the floor, stretching the lower abdomen, inner thighs and groin.
- Breathe slowly, bring the heels close to your hips. Rest the arms on the floor closer to the hips, palms facing up.
- Bring the chin down to elongate the neck and relax the facial muscles. Begin slow rhythmic breathing; take maximum air into the lungs, chest and the abdomen.
- Inhale and go with the body upwards. As you exhale, sink the spine deep onto the floor and push the knees towards the floor.
- Gaze towards the ceiling, or close your eyes but remain in a conscious state of mind, observing your breath. Stay here for 60 seconds, breathing naturally.
- To release, draw your knees together and roll over to one side. Relax in a comfortable seated position.

LIMITATIONS

- People suffering knee, neck or hip injury or severe sciatica, lower back pain, avoid.

BENEFITS

- Stretches and expands the inner thighs and groin.
- Tightens lower abdomen.
- Improves the flexibility in hips with deep expansion.
- Soothes the internal organs.
- Relaxing pose for pregnant women.
- Improves flexibility around the knees, inner thighs and ankles.
- Relaxes and relieves the symptoms during PMS.
- If practised before bedtime, induces good sleep and relaxes the mind for those suffering from insomnia.
- Stimulates the heart, improves the blood circulation, regulates BP.
- Relief from lower backache, varicose veins, sciatica, indigestion and flatulence.
- Tones the kidneys and improves poor bladder control.

By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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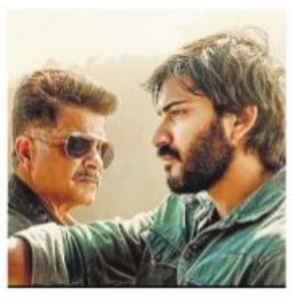

THAR (Hindi)
A veteran cop sees the chance to prove himself when murder and a stranger's grisly torture plot shake the walls of a sleepy desert town.
Cast: Anil Kapoor, Harshvarrdhan Kapoor, Fatima Sana Shaikh
- **Watch on:** Netflix

ETHARKKUM THUNINDHAVAN (Tamil)
When a lawyer uncovers a ruthless leader's criminal network that sexually exploits and threatens young women, he embarks on a bloody pursuit of justice.
Cast: Suriya, Vinay Rai, Priyanka Arul Mohan
- **Watch on:** Netflix

HEY SINAMIKA (Tamil)
An unhappy Mouna plots to divorce her talkative husband Yaazhan, and asks therapist Malarvizhi to woo him, but faces a dilemma when love blooms.
Cast: Dulquer Salmaan, Kajal Aggarwal, Aditi Rao Hydari
- **Watch on:** Netflix

MISHAN IMPOSSIBLE (Hindi)
Tired of being nobodies, three boys set out to nab an infamous criminal, but encounter a child trafficking ring and a journalist with her own mission.
Cast: Taapsee Pannu, Harsh Roshan, Bhannu Prakshan
- **Watch on:** Netflix

KAANEKKAANE (Malayalam)
Deputy Tahsildar Paul Mathai arrives in town for some court matters. He is warmly received by his son-in-law Allen. Wondering when he would see his grandson again, Paul is leaving Allen's home, when something catches his eye. There comes the shift in the lives which leads to an emotional and thrilling journey of all these characters.
Cast: Suraj Venjaramoodu, Tovino Thomas, Aishwarya Lekshmi
- **Watch on:** Sony LIV

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ATTACK: PART 1 (Hindi)
Arjun Shergill turns into a supersoldier and puts his life on the line to serve the nation after he loses everything in a terrorist attack.
Cast: John Abraham, Rakul Preet Singh, Jacqueline Fernandez
- **Watch on:** Zee5

VALIMAI (Tamil)
A city witnesses a spike in its crime rate due to the nefarious activities of a notorious motorcycle club. When things get out of hand, it is up to Arjun, a police officer, to restore law and order.
Cast: Ajith Kumar, Huma Qureshi, Kartikeya Gummakonda
- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

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THROUGH MY WINDOW (Spanish)
Raquel's longtime crush on her next-door neighbour turns into something more when he starts developing feelings for her, despite his family's objections.
Cast: Clara Galle, Julio Peña, Guillermo Lasheras
- **Watch on:** Netflix

365 DAYS: THIS DAY (Polish)
Laura and Massimo are back and stronger than ever. But Massimo's family ties and a mysterious man bidding for Laura's heart complicate the lovers' lives.
Cast: Anna-Maria Sieklucka, Michele Morrone, Simone Susinna
- **Watch on:** Netflix

#ALIVE (Korean)
As a grisly virus rampages a city, a lone man stays locked inside his apartment, digitally cut off from seeking help and desperate to find a way out.
Cast: Yoo Ah-in, Park Shin-hye
- **Watch on:** Netflix

100 DAYS WITH TATA (Spanish)
During the pandemic, actor Miguel Ángel Muñoz documents his 100-plus days living in a tiny flat with his beloved Tata, 95, who becomes an Instagram star.
Cast: Luisa Cantero, Miguel Ángel Muñoz
- **Watch on:** Netflix

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First Kill (English)

Falling in love is tricky for teens Juliette and Calliope: One's a vampire, the other's a vampire hunter and both are ready to make their first kill.

Cast: Sarah Catherine Hook, Imani Lewis, Elizabeth Mitchell

Available on: Netflix

Don (Tamil)

Don't let the title fool you, it's not another cliche plot about the mafia. This is a coming-of-age romantic comedy, about a student trying to navigate through college under strict teachers and overbearing parents.

Cast: Sivakarthikeyan, S J Suryah, Samuthirakani, Priyanka Arul Mohan

Available on: Netflix

My fake boyfriend (English)

How far will you go for true love? Watch this romantic comedy as a fake social media boyfriend wreaks havoc in the life of a young man, upon the arrival of the very real love of his life.

Cast: Keiynan Lonsdale, Dylan Sprouse, Samer Salem

Available on: Amazon Prime Video

Ms Marvel (English)

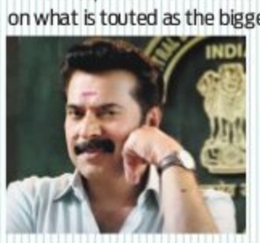
How many of us have secretly wanted to live the superhero life? Join Kamala Khan on her dual life as a Pakistani-American teenager, as she learns to balance the responsibilities of a superhero.

Cast: Iman Vellani, Matt Lintz, Zenobia Shroff

Available on: Disney+ Hotstar

CBI 5: The Brain (Malayalam)

The iconic Sethurama Iyer CBI makes his comeback in the fifth installment of the CBI film series, this time to lead the investigation on what is touted as the biggest mystery yet of his career. Will Iyer be able to solve it?



Cast: Mammootty, Chandunath, Dileesh Pothan

Available on: Netflix

Brodha V

GOING LIVE

After a two-year gap, Bengaluru-based rapper Brodha V is set to perform live in the city

ISHRATH MUBEEN

ONE of the most affected sectors during the pandemic has been the music industry. But in the last couple of months, several shows have moved away from online to offline. Getting back on his feet now is Bengaluru-based rapper Vighnesh Shivanand, popularly known as Brodha V, who will be performing for the first time since the pandemic at GYLT on June 18.

Brodha V feels that live gigs are a great way to make money and engage with the audience. "I think the pandemic, in a larger sense, created a demand for online gigs among artistes flocking to Twitch or Instagram to share their music and perform for their audiences," he says.

However, when the lockdowns subsequently lifted, the audience was keen to catch their favourite artistes performing live. "As an artiste, performing in front of an audience is something I really love and look forward to — there is nothing like being on stage, watching the excited audience sing and cheer with you," the rapper says.

This Bengaluru lad has always had a passion for music. For as long as he can remember, he knew he wanted to become a rapper. Although Brodha V is excited to get back on stage after a two-year break, he feels it'll be challenging. "Artistes do get a little rusty and they have had to work much harder to build back their stage presence, confidence and stamina. I believe performing comes naturally to me, so I am really looking forward to going back on stage and performing for my fans," he says, adding, "I miss engaging with my fans. I am definitely very excited to jam with them once again."

BRODHA V'S POPULAR SONGS

All Divine (2022)
Vainko (2019)
Way Too Easy (2018)
Let 'em Talk (2017)
Aathma Raama (2012)

When asked about his favourite song, he says that each song has a different vibe and energy, and it is always great to see the audience react differently to every single one of them. "It's a roller-coaster of emotions and high energy. *Vainko* (2019) having been featured on *The Family Man* led to many people who hadn't heard my music look me up and listen to my songs," he says.

To Brodha V, social media is a huge contributing factor. His song *Vainko* was trending on reels for a while, and a lot of celebrities shared content with *Aathma Raama* (2012). "It's always a great feeling having your work recognised and appreciated. It gets discovered and rediscovered every day," he says.

The rapper is planning to spend more time writing, recording and creating exciting music videos. "We will be out with our latest works very soon, it is something I have never done before and I am excited to see how my fans will react to it," the rapper says. "The wait will be worth it," he says.

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(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)

WISHLIST FROM THE STATE OF PLAY

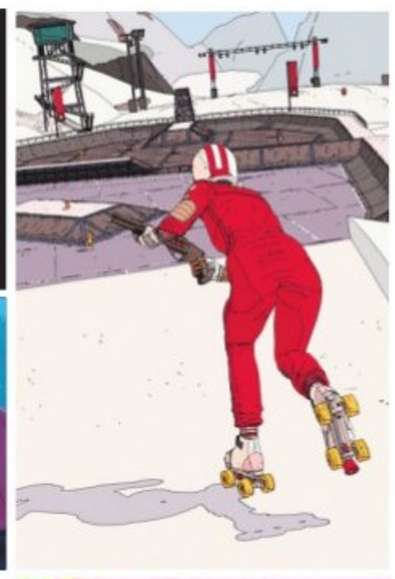
State of Play is PlayStation's regular checkpoint with their gaming audience, giving us the what's what on the games that have been brewing for their consoles — the PS4 and the PS5. While I've covered the hype on the State of Play announcement on the columns in the past few years, I am very conscious that I am in fact reviewing trailers. And it probably really means nothing. The actual game could be very different. But having said that, events like this are sometimes the best way for the developers to interact with the gamers pre-release of the game, to figure out if people really do like what they're up to. I'm going to quickly list the few games that I am excited about this coming year.

Stray: The game about a cat in a cyberpunk universe has been teased multiple times in the last year, and the most recent trailer looks amazing. Right now, it looks like a very well-made puzzle-exploration adventure game, and I am ready for it when it hopefully releases in July for both the PC and the PlayStation. This is the first game developed by BlueTwelve studio, and published by Annapurna Interactive.

Rollerdrome: This game was a surprise announcement. It features a crossover between a skating game and a third-person shooter, set in a retrofuture universe. Roll7 developed the game, known best for their Olli series of games — a 2D platforming skateboarding game. The game involves establishing dominance over a leaderboard, while also uncovering a dark conspiracy that surrounds the plot. The game is set to release in August for the PC and PlayStation

Season: A Letter to the Future: This indie game grabs the final spot in my hype list from State of Play. If you've been following this column for long enough, you might know that I am a big fan of walking simulators — games that lack combat based progression, but have an excellent story. If Season's trailer and its long development time is a hint to what it may be like, it already fits the bill. It is an atmospheric adventure bicycle road trip game, developed by Scavengers Studio, releasing for the PC and PlayStation late this 2022.

This list is by no means comprehensive — there were multiple good-looking games from Capcom that dominated the State of Play show this year too, which are worth a play. Can't wait for the year ahead, with some great games lined up!



CITY READ

Folk art exhibition to be held in city

International Indian Folk Art Gallery (IIFAG), Australia, will be presenting folk art exhibition and workshop for endangered folk arts of India at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath from June 16 to 19. They will also be showcasing the world's longest Pattachitra painting, 35 ft long and 3 feet tall, which took 35 days to complete on pure tussar silk by a group of highly skilled pattachitra artists from Odisha.

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I, **B V AMBUJA** (New Name), residing at No. 47, 4th Cross, Shimhadri Layout, Uttarahalli, Bengaluru - 560061, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from **AMBUJA SREEDHAR** (Old Name) to **B V AMBUJA** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **B V AMBUJA** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 09/06/2022 before Notary **Mahesha J.J.**, Bangalore.

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I, Anjana Satish, D/o N. A Satish residing at No. 38/1, West Park Road, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560003 have changed my name from NONAVINKERE SATISH ANJANA to ANJANA SATISH vide Affidavit dated 10-06-2022 sworn before Notary K. C. Gowthami.

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I, **AMRUTA B NAIK,** Aged about 31 years, W/o. Pavan R Jammihal, SF - 3, 2nd Floor, Sri Sai Residency, 17th D Cross, 13th Main, JP Nagar 5th Phase, Bengaluru - 560 078, hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AMRUTA NAIK** to **AMRUTA B NAIK** vide affidavit dated 11.6.2022 sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

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I, D.R. Manjunath, R/o #233, 4th Main, Kenchenahalli BHEL Layout, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 098 have changed my minor son's name from Nishanth Anurag (old name) to **Nishanth Heggade** (new name) vide affidavit dated 09.06.2022 before Notary L.Veena, Bengaluru.

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I, **Sri. K. Krishna Murthy,** S/o Karethimmaiah, aged about 40 years, R/at No.2766, E-Block, Bellary main Road, Near Swathi Hotel, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru, have changed my daughter name from **"AMISHA K MURTHY" TO "LEKHA KRISHNA MURTHY"**, vide affidavit dated 09.06.2022 sworn to before Notary **V. RANGARAJU**, at Bangalore.

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I, **LAKSHMI NARASIMHAN** (New Name), S/o. Rangavittal C.S., Permanent address as Flat No.3B, GRN Silverdale, No.10, 49th Street, Nanganallur, Chennai – 600 061, Tamil Nadu State, India, presently camped at Flat No. A1-205, Elita Promenade, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Opposite to RBI Layout, Bengaluru – 560078, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from **COIMBATORE RANGAVITTAL LAKSHMI NARASIMHAN** (Old Name) to **LAKSHMI NARASIMHAN** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **LAKSHMI NARASIMHAN** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 08/06/2022 before Notary **T.R. Raghavendra Rao,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, KHUSHI S (New Name), Aged 24 years, Residing at No.2/1, Flat 301, S L V Mansion, Venu Gopala Reddy Layout, Vijaya Bank Layout, Arekere, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore South, Karnataka - 560076, India, that I have changed my name from LAKSHMI (Old Name) to KHUSHI S (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as KHUSHI S (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated: 11/06/2022 before Notary Mohammed Hussain K, Bangalore.

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I, Ananya Satish, D/o N. A Satish residing at No. 38/1, West Park Road, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560003 have changed my name from NONAVINKERE SATISH ANANYA to ANANYA SATISH vide Affidavit dated 10-06-2022 sworn before Notary K. C. Gowthami.

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I, **Madhulatha Bonu**, Aged about 41 years, D/o Bonu, R/at Flat No. 21221, Tower-21, Prestige Lake Side Habitat Apartments, Gunjur, Bengaluru-560087. I state that, my minor Daughter aged 8 years, her name entered in School records, Aadhar Card & Birth Certificate as **'GAURITA PRAGYNA KAPUGANTI'** Hereby by declare that, I have changed my daughter's name from **'GAURITA PRAGYNA KAPUGANTI'** to **"GAURITA BONU"** vide Affidavit dated 09.06.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary Hemalatha. P, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) BINDHU SURESH spouse of No 15320309H HAV SURESH K S Residing at Neriamangalam (Post), Ernakulam, Neriamangalam, KERALA (State), Pin: 686693, Have Changed My Name to **(New NAME) BINDHU .B** Vide Affidavit Dated 08.06.2022 Sworn Before Notary GANGARAJU.B.N. BANGALORE.

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I, **SUFIYA DORAIRAJ,** W/o Zainul Abedin Khan, R/o No. 81, 2nd Floor, 3rd Main, KEB Layout, BTM 1st Stage, Bengaluru-560 029 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KRITIKA DORAIRAJ** to **SUFIYA DORAIRAJ,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUFIYA DORAIRAJ** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 11th June 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **PRAKASHA C.** at Bangalore.

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DHANANJAY'S GANGSTER DRAMA HEAD BUSH GETS A RELEASE DATE

The film, directed by Shoonya, is based on underworld don MP Jayaraj

"The first underworld don of Karnataka is on his way" #HeadBush releasing on October 21st 2022

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THE Dhananjay-starrer *Head Bush* is scheduled to hit screens on October 21. Directed by Shoonya, the film is a gangster drama based on MP Jayaraj, the first underworld don from Bengaluru. Charan Raj is scoring the music for the film, which has Paayal Rajput making her Kannada debut. The film has an ensemble cast including the likes of Crazy Star Ravichandran, *Loose Mada*-fame Yogi, Raghu Mukherjee, Vasishta N Simha, and Balu Nagendra.

Dhananjay's home production house Daali Pictures is backing *Head Bush* in association with Somanna Talkies. The project will be distributed by KRG Studios.

Meanwhile, Dhananjay has a slew of releases lined up. He will next be seen in Shivarajkumar's *Bairagee*, which is slated for release on July 1. Dhananjay also has *Monsoon Raaga*, directed by S Ravindranath, and Kushal Gowda's *Once Upon a time in Jamaliguda*, scheduled for release on August 12 and September 9, respectively.

Shine Shetty to play a cop in director Lohith's *Mafia*

The film stars Prajwal Devaraj in the lead; the team to resume their next schedule from June 16

A SHARADHAA

Director Lohith's *Mafia*, starring Prajwal Devaraj and Aditi Prabhudeva, will feature *Bigg Boss* Kannada season 7 winner Shine Shetty in a major role. The makers, who are halfway through shooting have unveiled a look of Shine Shetty from the film.

"Shine Shetty essays the role of a cop, and will have a prominent presence along with Prajwal Devaraj, who also plays a police officer," says director Lohith. With 25 days of filming completed, the next long schedule of *Mafia* will resume from June 16. The team plans to complete shooting the rest of the portions in 34 days. *Mafia* will be shot in Bengaluru and Hyderabad. The makers have also planned to shoot a song in Ladakh.

Billed to be a commercial action thriller, *Mafia* has music scored by Anoop Seelin. Cinematographer Demal Xavier, who has worked in Tamil, Telugu, and Punjabi films, is making his Sandalwood debut with Mafia.

Tagaru dialogue writer Maasti is associated with the project, which is backed by B Kumar under Bangalore Kumar Films.

Salman Khan; Kamal Haasan and Chiranjeevi

Vikram success party: Chiranjeevi hosts Kamal Haasan and Salman at his home

CE FEATURES

MEGASTAR Chiranjeevi hosted a success party for Kamal Haasan-Lokesh Kangaraj's latest blockbuster, *Vikram*. The event, which happened at Chiranjeevi's residence was attended by Kamal Haasan, Lokesh Kanagaraj and Bollywood star Salman Khan.

Sharing pictures from the event, Chiranjeevi wrote, "Absolute joy, celebrating and honouring my dearest old friend Kamal Haasan for the spectacular success of Vikram along with my dearest Sallu Bhai, Lokesh Kanagaraj and team at my home last night."

In the pictures, Chiranjeevi is seen handing them flower bouquets and honouring Kamal Haasan with a shawl. The group photograph is currently being shared by many and is going viral on social media.

Vikram, which was released on June 3, has already become a blockbuster, breaking multiple box office records. The action-thriller also stars Suriya, Fahadh Faasil, Vijay Sethupathi, Kalidas Jayaram, Narain and Chemban Vinod Jose. While Girish Gangadharan took charge of the cinematography, Anirudh Ravichander has scored the music.

Director Shashank to join hands with *Love Mocktail* hero Krishna for a family drama

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Director Shashank of *Moggina Manasu*-fame is getting ready to release his next film, *Love 360*. Meanwhile, the filmmaker is set to work with *Love Mocktail* hero Krishna for his next directorial venture. An announcement of the two teaming up for a project was made on the occasion of the actor's birthday. Shashank unveiled a poster with the tagline, 'Tale of a Real Man'.

"This is the first time we will be collaborating on a project. It's going to be a family-based subject. The film is now in the pre-production stage, and the title will be revealed soon," says Shashank told us.

Krishna, one of the busiest actors in Sandalwood has a slew of projects up his sleeve, including *Mr Bachelor*, Deepak Aras' *Sugar Factory*, *Dil Pasand* directed by Shiva Tejas, director Deepak Gangadhar's *Love Me or Hate Me*, and PC Shekar's Love Birds. "We are planning to go on floors once Krishna's commitment to his other projects gets done. I am simultaneously working on the release date for *Love 360* degree. An official date will be out once we are through with the formalities at the Censor Board," says Shashank.

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Shashank, director

Krishna

Hemanth Hegde wraps up shooting for *Nam Naani Madve Prasanga*

The director of *House Full* and *Nimbehuli* has helmed a comedy-drama, completely set in North Canara

CE FEATURES

HEMANTH Hegde, the director of films like *House-Full*, and *Nimbehuli* has now wrapped up shooting for his next project. Titled *Nam Naani Madve Prasanga*, the director shared the first few stills with *CE* and mentioned that the film is going to be an out-an-out comedy-drama.

"This is the first Kannada film that will bring out the nativity of North Canara and I have explored the local arts like Yakshagana in my storytelling. Secondly, the subject deals with farmers of that region not finding brides, which is a prevalent problem even today. The natural turn of events in the story is what makes it a hilarious drama," explains Hemanth.

Apart from directing, Hemanth Hegde will also star as the lead in the film, which features Gitanjali Mangal, Shruti Nandeesh, Padmaja Rao, Rajesh Nataranga, Giri Shivappa, and Madhu Hegde in the ensemble cast.

Composers V Manohar and Ravi Murur have scored music for the film, which has cinematography by Krishna Bhanjan.

A still from the film